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"No Repetition"

By Elizabeth Starbuck Adams

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OMEONE, recommending a typing text to me, said laudingly, "It asks for no repetition!" I pondered over that statement a long time, trying to fathom the point of view of a teacher of typing to whom the idea of repetition was evidently a bugbear. I am not acquainted with the book to which this teacher referred, so I have no conception of the nature of the content of a typing text that requires no repetition for mastery, nor am I concerned with it.

Over and Over and Over Again—Surely! That's How We Grow Skillful

What interested me was the attitude of the teacher toward the factor of repetition. How are we going to acquire any sort of skill in any activity without repetition? The autoist points with pride to the total of his mileage, the result of mechanical repetition, and re-

sultful in a constantly increasing skill in meeting traffic conditions. The carpenter looks with pride upon the finished house he has built, although it is the result of countless repetitions of such a purely mechanical act as hammering a nail. If we balk at the drudgery of repetition, it is because we have failed to understand the objective. Without some definite goal no activity is really zestful.

When we speak of the worthlessness of some types of repetition we are sometimes misunderstood. Many of the younger teachers of typewriting have seized upon certain phrases to justify themselves in a procedure that does not ask for repetition drills. They have failed to understand that all repetition becomes useless when there is no clearly defined objective to be reached through the repetitive drill. Do you think the most skillful knitter in the world could stand the mechanical repetition did she not have the ob-

jective of the finished article? So, after all, it is our set of mind that makes any form of repetition mechanically deadly or richly resultful.

The Why and When of Repetition

Just what is the WHY and WHEN of repetition in skill development? Dr. Book, in his illuminating analysis of skill development, "Learning to Typewrite" (pages 1-147), makes plain what constitutes the hierarchy of habits involved in high skill development. Such a development is not unlike the growth of a plant. The tiny seedling pushes out, bit by bit, new leaves and new roots, increasing in strength and beauty each day, a poor enough little thing in the beginning, but one day to burst into bloom. Each new leaf, however, begins in just the same way, a tight little bud that reaches perfection only through steady growing. Whoever has seen a movie of a growing bud will recall the constant writhing motion of the plant in developing the bud into a leaf or blossom.

Typing power is a plant of slow growth and is just as dependent for its development upon constant exercise as is the real plant. It takes many leaves, many branches, many blossoms, and many firm roots to make this Power Plant a thing of perfect, symmetrical beauty. The tiny seedling grows leaf by leaf. root by root. The weeds of wrong habits are carefully removed. The sunshine of encouraging guidance, the rain of kindly correction, the soil of a well-organized content, these three elements urge the seedling to growth. But this development depends, also, upon the constant exercise, the unceasing exertion of the little seedling itself. Without self-activity there is no growth of any sort.

This analogy is no more than a figure of speech. To carry it further would be absurd. But the fundamental law of growth through exercise in typing and running and swimming and knitting and piano-playing and portrait-painting and shorthand-writing and any other form of high quality skill must be interpreted to demand *much* repetitive practice.

Manipulative Skill Our Objective

If we, as teachers, are to function effectively as guides to our pupils as they tread the trail to the mountain top of accomplishment, we must have definite knowledge, detailed knowledge of both the near-to and the far-off objectives of the typing course. The far-off objective is obviously to develop typists with a manipulative skill of such superior quality that they are effective office

workers, worthy of their hire. If we break up this general far-off objective into elements, we may find that it helps us to focus clearly on the near-to objectives of daily practice in the classroom.

One phase of manipulative skill that is fundamental is a steady, sure control of all elements of the keyboard at a stroking rate of not less the 250 strokes per minute, preferably around 300 strokes a minute. Can a control of this quality be developed in ten fingers and one nervous system without various types of repetition? And a very large quantity of repetition? The answer is too plain to bother about writing it. Just study carefully the elementary sections of the three texts: "New Rational-1927," "Junior Rational," or "The Typist at Practice." Notice the clever variation in the types of repetitive drills and the definite objective for each drill, the change of emphasis from simple stroking to accurate copying, from a practice drill to an accomplishment drill, from a location drill to a facility drill.

It is the vividness with which the teacher presents these different objectives that utilizes these near-to objectives to carry the student along the road towards the far-off objective.

Requires Practice, Patience and Persistence

A second phase of manipulative skill, one demanding mental qualities of superior caliber, is that specific skill required in proper arrangement of letters and tabulated material, the proper heading up of copy, the preparation of legal documents and manucripts, the handling of all the varied and complicated business forms. Such skills are acquired as are all skills of lower order, by exactly the same steps: First, familiarity with the process involved—the know-how step; Second, repetitive practice of this know-how until manipulation is smooth and effective on a time basis.

The teacher plays an important part in this development by corrective checking and the timely word of advice or encouragement. Again, to ask a rhetorical question—does any teacher of typing think the high degree of accuracy required by the business office can be acquired in these phases of manipulative skill without repetitive practice? We know all too well how wide and deep must be the typing experience of the student to slough off inaccuracies.

Practice and Perfection are the Marthaand-Mary sisters of skill development.

A third phase that must be added to this high quality of manipulative skill is an equally high quality of character development, the set of mind that makes the office typist an asset. This set of mind is composed of several elements: The endurance that puts a task through, the careful checking that puts the task through right, the poise that keeps the worker a pleasant worker under all stress. Now the development of this character quality grows only by much repetition—patient repetition, persistent repetition. Perfection cannot be reached without the aid of the other hand-maidens, Practice, Patience, and Persistence.

So much for the WHY of repetition. What can we say about the WHEN?

When? - With Each New Step of the Way

WHENever a new skill is to be taught we must first explain the how and why of the new technique. Follows, the student practice to enforce understanding. Follows, re-practice to transform that bungling beginning practice into smooth manipulative skill. Any and every phase of typewriter control from a single-finger control to a complicated tabulation problem is a new skill. When a student approaches a phase of technique that is new in his experience, he approaches that phase with the mental attitude of a beginner, eager, curious, a little timid. WHEN, later. a skill formerly learned needs to be recalled and developed to a higher level of control, again comes the need of repetitive drills, working now towards endurance and speed. These two "whens" cover the entire program because they meet the constantly recurring problem of growth.

To reach Perfection there is only the one road of Practice to traverse guided by Patience and Persistence.

No "Royal Road" Exists

Through all the ages men have sought a royal road to learning. Wiseacres in each age tell us there is no such road, just the one highway of self-activity charted out by the limitations of the nervous system of the human being. In spite of science, despite the well-established facts, many a quack appears in the market-place to cry his magic wares of get-rich-quick methods of skill development.

Quiet old Mother Nature smiles serenely. She shakes her finger at the Eager Learner. "Make haste slowly, my child," she says. "Remember, dear young impatient thing, Rome was not built in a day. Haste makes waste. Practice makes perfect. One step and then another, and the longest walk is ended. Big oaks from little acorns GROW. Constant dripping wears away stone. One brick and then another, and the highest wall is laid. If at first you don't succeed, try, try again." With these homely words of counsel, she pats the Eager Learner on the head and bids him start on the upward climb.

But Zest Makes the Way Easy

Let us cry "Blessed be drudgery" and turn all the strength of our brains into making vivid and resultful each hour of repetitive drill in the typing class!



Individual Versus Glass Instruction

Some of the Advantages of Individual Instruction as Submitted

By Eva L. Connelly, Draughon's Business College, Springfield, Missouri

1. Approval of practice work.

The instructor criticizes the practice notebook when student comes for recitation.

2. Close supervision of writing.

The instructor sees every outline the student writes from dictation.

3. All dictation transcribed.

The student is obliged to transcribe into longhand every outline dictated during recitation.

4. Transcription corrected and criticized.

The instructor looks over notebook with dictated words transcribed, and calls attention of student to anything incorrect.

5. Slow student not hurried.

Every student can go at his own pace according to his ability.

6. Absences do not interrupt work.

A student being absent a few days, upon his return can take up his work where he left off.

7. Mastery of any principle.

A student finding special difficulty with a certain principle can stay with it until it is mastered.

8. Irregular students.

The method allows the schedule of the irregular student to be adjusted to suit his hours. (Continued on page 38)

9. Students enter at any time.

The plan is especially adapted to a school where students may enter the department any day of the year. 10. Personal interest.

The close contact between teacher and student develops personal interest which is important in business college work.



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Ola B. Anderson, Kansas City, Missouri
Myrtle E. Bailey, Spokane, Washington
Janet A. Barney, Beaver Dam, Wisconsin
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CONVENTIONS

Northwest Business Schools' Association

Report by Mrs. Frances Effinger-Raymond

HE Pacific Northwest Business Schools Association held its annual convention at the Hotel Olympic, Seattle, Washington, August 6. Twenty-five private schools were represented by fifty-two owners, managers, and teachers.

The following program was given:

THE "ALL-ROUND" COURSE

J. F. Caskey, Success Business College, Bellingham, Washington

OUR EMPLOYMENT PROBLEMS

George S. Johnson, Behnke-Walker Business College, Portland, Oregon

Mrs. Flavella Spike, Beutel Business College, Tacoma, Washington

OUR BILLBOARDS

J. P. Wilson, Wilson's Modern Business College, Seattle, Washington
J. F. Griffin, Griffin-Murphy Business College, Seattle, Washington

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A. E. Roberts, Eugene Business College, Eugene, Oregon DIRECT MAIL

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R. J. Fletcher, Centralia Business College, Centralia, Washington THE SOLICITOR

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Olympia, Washington Fred Ulen, Walla Walla Business College, Walla Walla, Washington TUITION CHARGES

Miss Florence Douglas, Metropolitan Business College, Seattle, Washington

J. L. Beatty, Sprott-Shaw Business College, Victoria, B. C.

DESIRABLE LEGISLATION

W. I. Staley, Capital Business College, Salem,

W. E. Dietz, Dietz Business College, Olympia, Washington

THE PUBLISHER'S VIEW OF THE BUSINESS COLLEGE MAN

W. C. Hyatt, South-Western Publishing Company, eattle, Washington Seattle, Washington
Mrs. F. E. Raymond, The Gregg Publishing Com-

pany, San Francisco, California.

President Charles F. Walker, owner of Northwestern School of Commerce, Portland, Oregon, has handled the affairs of the Association with such courtesy and skill that he was unanimously reëlected for the same position for the coming year, and his city selected as the August, 1928, meeting place.

The Northwest school owners have done some unusual work in cooperative advertising and in meeting the problems and expenses of school solicitors. They are a keen set of business men and women with high professional standards

With due appreciation of all the fifty-two owners in attendance, special mention is made of those two handsome, alert pioneers: Mr. J. P. Wilson, Wilson's Modern Business College; and Mr. S. Van Vliet, Yakima Business College. Their experience was a gold mine to the younger group and their leadership was welcomed and applauded. The absence of two other Deans in business education: Professor H. C. Blair, Blair's Business College, Spokane; and Mr. I. M. Behnke-Walker Business College, Portland, was regretted.

As usual, the generous and cordial representative of the South-Western Publishing Company, Mr. W. C. Hyatt, collected a large group for dinner and then led those fortunate ones to the new site of Wilson's Modern Business College, in the heart of Seattle's business district. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson explained the arrangement of the building; the basement containing the swimming pool and gymnasium, and three floors to house the greater business college. The site is a corner, all rooms with outside light and surrounded by magnificent buildings. Mr. Wilson, in perpetuating his school, and erecting a building of his own, is continuing his nearly fifty years' service to business education in the Northwest and proving his civic pride in the great city he has watched develop on the most magnificent water front in the world—Puget Sound, reflecting the ever snow-clad Olympic mountains and capable of giving berths to the entire American Fleet—the doorway to the Orient and the commercial neighbor of British Columbia and Alaska.



Gentral Commercial Teachers' Association

Celebration of Twenty-Second Anniversary Reported by L. C. Rusmisel

(Continued from the September issue) Business Round Table

ONE session is usually appropriated for the consideration of specific problems. The Business Round Table offered a program of exceptional value, Mr. Ross N. Young, principal of John Marshall High School, Minneapolis, presiding. After paying a deserved tribute to the work that is being done in high schools and commercial schools, the speaker introduced Mr. John N. Greer, principal of West High School, of the same city.

Trend of Commercial Education

Mr. Greer delivered a most instructive address, Some Observations of the Trend of Commercial Education. The primary thought is to make better citizens, in order that the student may become, not a mere machine to metre out certain detailed service, but to serve the community and state and thus exert the broadest possible influence. A scientific study of conditions must be made by the teachers and the school authorities in order that they may be efficiently met. He cited that the universities have a narrow scope which at this time

restricts the efficiency of the high school commercial departments. The commercial department should be fully equal to any in the school, or even superior, for the demands of business are more exacting than those of the college. Contact with commercial subjects elevates all students of the school. Commercial training is of practical value in every avocation.

The Vocational High at St. Louis

Mr. A. H. Hellmich, Vocational High School, St. Louis, Missouri, gave an interesting talk describing the aims of this new school. It is unique in several respects. It has no building, but meets in various parts of the city wherever there is a demand for the work. The school is taken to the students rather than allowing the students to go a long distance to the school. There are no entrance requirements nor limitations as to age. The courses are intensive. The student may go as long or as short a time as desired, but finishes units of instructions as in the private commercial school.

Shorthand Round Table

THE convention handicap is the brevity of time. That was keenly felt in the Shorthand Round Table, where a full program was outlined. Despite the handicap, this session, under the masterly leadership of A. B. Opfer, West High School, Minneapolis, was most helpful.

The Direct Method

The first speaker, Miss Ann Brewington, Chicago, discussed The Direct Method and What It will Do.

"Specifically," said Miss Brewington, "the very first meeting of the class should be devoted entirely to reading shorthand. A paragraph in which there is sufficient repetition to make the reading and meaning relatively simple should be taken as the teaching unit; for example: The train will be late. It will not be an hour late but it will be late. If it be late in Erie it will be late here.

"The teacher should read the entire paragraph. Then she should ask the students what it is all about. The teacher should read it again and again until they have indicated that they have the thought of the paragraph. Now she asks the students to read aloud with her as she points to each word as it is read. She repeats this process as many times as necessary to insure that each student can read the entire paragraph. Next she asks them to read it in concert from their books. Then individual students read the entire paragraph. New para-

graphs are then worked on and the same procedure followed. The entire process is repeated until the students acquire the reading adaptation of the first fundamental division, or unit, of the system of shorthand being studied.

"'Reading adaptation' means that the student should be able to read intelligently and at a reasonable rate of speed, 80 to 95 words the minute, any material in which the first fundamental division of the system is used."

Most teachers who have tried this method have found it advisable to have the students read all the literature available on the first fundamental division of the system before doing any writing at all. All the literature does not mean only the few examples and sentences printed in the shorthand manual, but all supplementary material that is obtainable.

Next, the students are required to go through the movements of writing a paragraph of the material with a dry pen as they read it aloud. The length of the paragraph and the way in which the class responds determines how many times each step should be repeated. Then the class should write the entire paragraph. Each step in the process should proceed at the rate of at least 60 to 75 words the minute. The process is repeated with other paragraphs and articles familiar to the students until the students acquire the writing adaptation, which means that they should be able to express in shorthand familiar material at a reasonable rate of speed, from 60 to 75 words the minute. Then new material containing many words and phrases found in the practiced material, is introduced, and the same procedure followed.

Each fundamental division or unit of the system of shorthand being studied should be taught by the same procedure and the shorthand adaptation should be complete at each level. Being complete at each level involves not only the reading and writing adaptations, but precision, exactness, and skill, as well.

The steps in the teaching technique used in acquiring exactness, precision, and skill are so familiar to you that they need not be outlined. We all know what drill on the isolated words, penmanship drill, and speed drill mean.

No statistics can be cited here giving precise evidence as to the effectiveness of the direct method of teaching shorthand, but the few teachers who have experimented with it have declared that their students have acquired the shorthand adaptation in less time than is ordinarily required by students taught by the grammatical method. In the beginning the process usually seems very slow, inasmuch as from four to six weeks must be spent on the first fundamental division of the system, while by the grammatical method one gets "half through the book" in that length of time. But many weeks which are ordinarily spent in bringing students out of the isolated word stage in reading shorthand and the single-stroke in writing shorthand can be devoted to teaching new material, thus affording the student more extensive practice in dealing with real thought material in a purposeful situation.

Miss Evans Demonstrates Speed During Talk

"Vitalizing the Teaching of Shorthand" was the subject of a most spirited address, supplemented by a demonstration of rapid writing, given by Helen W. Evans, Gregg School, Chicago. Her address gave expression to a "fundamental" doctrine from which no shorthand writer can digress. Her demonstration was decidedly "modernistic," in that it displayed the qualities of both art and science with a touch of personality quite apart from any precedents. Speaking on some of the basic things, Miss Evans asked this question, "Are we constantly learning and improving?" "No teacher can inspire others unless she be inspired—unless she has become so much interested in her subject that a new point of merit is found daily, and unless its impartation to the class is just as dynamic as the subject itself." Miss Evans stressed the fact that inspiration comes from a dynamic personality. "This is three-fold—physical, mental, and spiritual. We are sparks of divinity. The teacher who possesses a personality of this kind cannot hide her light under a bushel."

Among other points coming within the recital of fundamentals is the attitude of the teacher. Is she a time-saver or a teacher of young people? What is the task? Is it the case of an individual merely laying stones at \$8.00 a day, or is it a matter of building a cathedral?

Effecting Typing Power

The contribution by Miss Adelaide B. Hakes, Gregg School, was greeted with widespread approval. Miss Hakes spoke on Methods of Effecting Typing Power—a subject in which she "lives and moves and has her being" both in principles of theory and realization. Miss Hakes said in part:

Look into the problems and difficulties of the learner—they are very real to him. Don't let time, or aptitude, or proficiency rob you of the point of view of the learner at every step of the way. When excessive errors are to be reckoned with, be able to discriminate between carelessness and overanxiety. A few days ago a young college woman who finds typing difficult said to me, "I am filled with remorse when I think how hard I was on my Algebra students last year. Because it was so easy for me I couldn't understand why it should be so difficult for them."

Let your interest be great enough to think and to plan, to devise ways and means, to aim and to follow through. If growth and expansion appeal to you, surely you will be keenly interested in watching the rapid progress of the beginning typist. If psychological research interests you, here is a field into which you can dig as deeply as you will. And ENTHUSIASM—that's the lever that lifts the whole load. It removes any possible monotony; it keeps you from seeing all those papers and hearing the sound of all those machines. It leads to supremacy. Last year when Americans went over to England and won all of the first places in the British open golf championship, Walter Hagen was asked to what he attributed their success, and he replied, "American enthusiasm!"

There is nothing that tempers the weather of the soul more than a love for one's work, and there is a pleasant assurance in knowing your way. The two factors that have contributed more than any others to that knowledge, I believe, are those master technicians, the professional typists, who have led the way and shown us how to do, and the splendid contributions of material that we now have that show us what to do.

It is well for teacher and student alike that the day of simply requiring so many perfect copies of each exercise—nothing more, nothing less—the only objective being a credit in the teacher's record book has passed. It was too monotonous for the teacher and too discouraging for the student. Nowadays we supervise his efforts and assist him develop his machine technique by giving class drills, but when we give this class drill work, we like to feel and to have him feel that he is being benefited from it-that he is getting something that he couldn't or wouldn't, be able to do for himself. We want to get away from the valueless and into the resultful.

There are three types of drills that I believe have

the proper reaction and response:

1. Manipulative drills for finger control.

Precision drills for accuracy control.
 Rhythmic drills for continuity control.

Manipulative drills help the typist control his hands. Hands that normally function perfectly, when placed on the keys tighten and tense until all balance is lost. When one finger goes down, all the others go with it, or when one goes down all of the others fly up. So these drills are used as finger gymnastics on the machine to develop efficient and independent stroking—for in typing, as in golf, the stroke is the thing! A quick flicking of the surface of the key, with a pulling-toward-the-palm get-away. The drills should be repetitive so that they may be done facilely and rapidly, and yet even the stroking drills should be foundation material for real work.

Precision drills are for establishing and promoting accuracy. Any word list, sentence, or paragraph may he dictated letter by letter, positive and precisely, the student writing with eyes glued to copy, arms and hands steady, fingers close to keys, the reaches made with mechanical precision, the senses focused and powerful—scattered energy is powerless. He hears the letter, he sees the letter, he thinks the letter, and he feels the letter. I know of no greater accuracy stabilizer than this coördinated effort.

Action-Action!

No one realized that "explosives" would be introduced into this session. They were employed, but most wisely, when R. R. Mc-Masters, Milwaukee (our readers will remember him as teacher in the model school in the Palace of Education, Panama-Pacific Exposition, which received many awards of distinction), aired his views on the "sit down and take it easy" method of shorthand teaching. Mr. McMasters regards shorthand a highly animated subject-in teaching, in study, in execution. He heartily subscribes to the idea that the life of the shorthand class is action-action in the presentation of theory, action in the intermediate stages, and action throughout the advanced course. If one thing is needed more than another in the teaching of shorthand, it is a postgraduate course in action!

Speaking in another vein, Mr. McMasters emphasized the importance of working repeatedly with the recurring combinations. It was pointed out that, in reality, there are only a limited number of combinations required in the writing of ordinary matter. Drill on the forms most frequently employed will not only facilitate early dictation but set a pace in execution which will become a "standard performance" in reckoning with all matter, whether easy or difficult. The speaker developed these angles in a masterly fashion which elicited much favorable comment from both the "fundamentalists" and the "modernists" pres-

Other Addresses

Unfortunately it is impossible to record all the observations made in the three-day deliberation. Notable addresses were made by Dr. Philip Osgood and Dr. Roy L. Smith, Minneapolis. With the atmosphere created by these contributions it was not necessary to "assume" any of the characteristics necessary to professional fervor. These addresses will long be remembered by the personnel of the convention.

A Word of Appreciation

In many respects the twenty-second annual convention was an all-Minneapolis movement. Musical talent from practically every high school was placed at the disposal of the convention. It was a daily occurrence to have a musical organization present equal to or exceeding the number in general attendance. And this convention enjoyed a larger attendance than it has for many years, too! As a convention city, with every needed facility and generous hospitality, Minneapolis won unanimous approval on the part of visiting educators. This approval was equaled only by the round of applause given the president, Mr. G. W. Puffer, and his staff of local committee work-

New Officers

The new officers are: T. A. Blakeslee, Lincoln School of Commerce, Lincoln, Nebraska, president; P. L. Greenwood, Roosevelt High School, Minneapolis, vice-president, W.F. McDaniels, Fort Dodge Business College, Fort Dodge, Iowa, secretary; and R. M. Phillips, Capital City Commercial College, Des Moines, treasurer.

Don't Miss It' Thanksgiving Gathering

of the Southern Commercial Teachers' Association

November 24, 25, and 26, at Atlanta, Georgia

Teaching Tabulation

By Solomon Safran, A. B.

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THE development of skill in tabulating is no small task for the teacher of advanced typewriting. The practice work done by students must be intelligently directed and properly applied if they are ever to acquire the requisite degree of skill in this important phase of applied typing.

The plan, briefly outlined here, is the outgrowth of an effort to systematize and make more effectual the teaching of tabulating. It has simplified the task of securing proper application of typing skill to the solution of tabulation problems. It is hoped that the suggestions will be as helpful to others as they have been to the writer.

Plan of Procedure

In any piece of tabulating work, the following procedure is observed:

- 1. Survey of the data to be tabulated.
- 2. Set marginal stops.

3. Set tabular stops.

The reason for the first step in the procedure just outlined is obvious. Any piece of work should be carefully studied and planned before it is undertaken. In the case of material for tabulation, such a preliminary survey and plan enables the teacher not only to motivate the work but also to arouse interest that will be an effective aid in securing sustained effort.

Setting Marginal Stops

To determine the proper setting of right and left marginal stops, proceed as follows:

- (a) Determine the number of spaces in the longest line in each column of the tabulation and find the total number of spaces in all such lines.
- (b) Determine a suitable odd number of spaces for the separation space between each column of the tabulation, and add the total of all these spaces to the number of spaces as determined in (a).
- (c) Subtract the number of spaces as determined in (b) from 80 and divide the remainder by 2.

The result will be the width in spaces of the right and left margins. To illustrate, assume that the grand total of the spaces as determined in (a) and (b) is 65, which subtracted from 80 leaves a remainder of 15. This is the total number of spaces available for

margins. Division by two indicates that the left marginal stop should be set at 7 and the right at 72.

Setting Tabular Stops

To set the tabular stops, proceed as follows:

- (a) Move carriage to extreme right, thus bringing it to the starting point of the line of writing.
- (b) Strike the space bar as many times as there are spaces in the longest line of the first column of tabulated material.
- (c) Strike the space bar for an additional odd number of times to correspond with the number of spaces previously determined as the desired space between the first and second columns.
- (d) Determine which space in the next column is the starting point of the most lines in that column and strike the space bar a corresponding number of times. To illustrate, if the most lines in the next column begin with the third space thereof, strike the space bar three additional times.
- (e) Set tabular stop at this point.
- (f) Proceed in like manner from this tabular stop for the other columns. Later on, students may be allowed to move the carriage directly to the point where the tabular stop is to be set. If right and left margins are reasonably equal the tabular stops are probably set correctly.

Begin With Simple Exercises

Proper graduation is, of course, essential in teaching tabulation. At first, practice material should be simple, and the copy itself should be tabulated. When sufficient skill in the mechanics of tabulating has been acquired, practice material should consist of unarranged data in paragraph form. It is axiomatic that development of skill should precede an attempt to apply it to the solution of a practical problem.

In the early stages of tabulation drill it is effective and saves time and labor to have the students perform each step in unison. Obviously this should not be carried too far, and students should be allowed gradually to do their work independently and individually. Experience has demonstrated this to be a practicable and effectual teaching device.

It is almost trite to say that enthusiasm, interest, and sustained effort are essential to effective teaching. In developing tabulation

skill, however, much can be done in this direction. The material in the most recent typewriting texts is excellent. Current matter of everyday interest can be taken from newspapers, magazines, financial, industrial, and commercial reports of a statistical nature for supplementary use to vitalize the work.

Specimen Tabulation Exercises

The following are a few examples of such material clipped at random from a New York newspaper one day last spring. You will note that each of these tables presents a little different problem in arrangement.

Table A

The probable lineup	will b	e:	
Bethlehem			Newark
Edwards	. Goal		Murdoch
Allen	. R. B.		. Marshall
Eadie	. L. B.		Herd
MacDonald			
Carnihan	. C. H		Thomson
McGregor			
Jaap	. O. R		Duggan
Granger			
Gillespie			
Stark			
Goldie	O. L.	*******	. McGowan

Table B

STANDING OF THE CLUBS

	P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.	Pc.
Bethlehem	37	26	6	5	58	.784
Fall River	40	22	8	10	52	.650
New Bedford	41	23	6	12	52	.634
Boston	37	20	6	11	46	.622
New York Giants	39	19	5	15	43	.551
Indiana Flooring	35	15	7	13	37	.529
Brooklyn	39	16	6	17	38	.487
Providence	36	12	9	15	33	.458
J. & P. Coats	37	8	13	16	29	.392
Newark	36	10	5	21	25	.347
Philadelphia	37	10	4	23	24	.324
Springfield	44	7	7	30	21	.239

Table C

The Yankee batting	aver	rage for	the	training	trip
is as follows:					
Players.	H.	AB.	R.	G.	Ave.
Bengough	2	4	0	2	.500
Paschall	4	10	2	7	.400
Gazella	6	16	2	8	.375
Morehart	19	51	14	16	.373
Meusel	16	43	13	13	.372
Lazzeri	9	25	5	8	.360
Dugan	13	41	6	15	.317
Ruth	17	54	13	16	,316
Combs	14	46	4	10	.304
Gehrig	18	62	17	18	.290
Grabowski	9	31	2	13	.290
Collins	6	21	3	8	.286
Koenig	18	74	9	15	.243
Durst	9	39	4	13	.231
Wora	3	14	2	7	.215
Phillips	1	5	0	3	.200

Table D

YANKEE PITCHING

			Av. e ned		
Players.	Ings.	Hits.	Earned Runs.	per 9 ings.	
Shocker	10	7	0	0.00	
Moore	25	11	5	1.78	
Hoyt	28	35	7	2.50	
Shawkey	13	14	4	2.80	
Ruether	15	17	5	3.01	
Pipgras	20	22	9	4.05	
Thomas	12	20	10	7.51	

Beall, Johnson, Giard and Cannon trailed along with much higher earned run averages.

Table E

PRICES OF THE DAY

	Yestdy's Clos'g.	Today's Net Open'g.Chge
Am Locomotive	10934	10934
Am Smelting	14436	145 + 5%
Am Tel & Tel	169	1683/6- 5/8
Am Water Works	7956	81 + 13%
Anaconda Copper	461/8	461/2+ 3/8
Atch T & S F	178	17874 + 76
Baldwin Locomotive	187	187
Baltimore & Ohio	116	116
Bethlehem Steel	551/2	55%+ 3%
Cal Petroleum	2634	261/2- 1/4
Chesapeake & Ohio	16734	1671/2+ 1/4
Chi & Gt Western	163%	1534- 5/8
Chi R I & P	94+	931/8- 1/8
Colorado Fuel	721/2	731/4+ 3/4
Con Can	597/8	59 - 76
Corn Prod Ref	571/2	573/8- 1/8
DuPont	242	243 + 1
Erie	55	553/8+ 3/8
Fisk Tire	1834	1834
Fleischman	541/2	541/4- 1/4

Table F

DEPARTURE OF STEAMERS

SAIL SATURDAY,	APRIL 9	
Steamers. For.	Mails Close.	Vessels Sail.
Aconcagua, Callao, 29 Bklyn.	8:00 AM	-
Algonquin, Miami, 45 NR		2:00 PM
Anders, SanDomingo, 75 NR.	12:00 M	PM
Angela, Cadiz, 12 ER	7:30 AM	No.
	7.30 AM	10:00 AM
Aurania, Liverpool, 54 NR	-	10.00 AM
Cedric, Liverpool, 60 NR	8:00 PM	11:30 AM
Chicago, Bordeaux, 99 NR	12:30 PM	PM
Clauseus, Santos, 29th st,		
Bklyn.	9:00 AM	approximate the second
Conehatta, Belfast, 7 NR	-	-
Corozal, San Juan, 35 Bklyn	8:30 AM	12:00 M
Edith, San Juan, 27 Bklyn Fort St. George, Bermuda,	-	12:00 M
95 NR	8:30 AM	11:00 AM
Gustav Vigeland, San Do-		
mingo, 27 Bklyn	9:30 AM	12:00 M
Herschel, Buenos Aires, 14		
Hob	9:30 AM	12:00 M
Jefferson, Norfolk, 25 NR		12:00 M
Karma, San Domingo, 21 NR	11:30 AM	
Leviathan, Southampton, 86		
NR	8:00 AM	12:00 M

Tabulation, like any other phase of typewriting must be taught. To send the student to the machine with instructions to do as his textbook tells him to do is not effective educational practice. Therefore such material as that suggested above is of real value, especially if students are helped to a thoughtful consideration of the project at hand by such questions as these:

What is the heading in B?

2. What subheading is used in D?

3 Where should marginal stops be set for C?

Determine the proper setting for tabular stops in D.

5. For which space in the second column of A is the first tabular stop set?

6. How are the subheadings, Bethlehem and Newark, centered with respect to the longest lines in their respective columns.

7. In B, which line of the first column is the

longest?
8. In C, how many spaces should be allowed between columns?

9. How is the word closing centered with respect to "Yesterday's" in E?

10. In D, why is the heading average earned runs per inning given four lines?

This plan has aroused interest and brought better results in our classes. It is worth trying, at least.



Teachers' Certificates

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O. G. A. TEST COPY

Getting the Most Out of Teaching

Opening of the Teachers' Blackboard Writing Contest

Announced by Florence E. Ulrich

T is an established fact that most people grasp things more quickly and accurately through the eye than through any of the other senses. Whether this is due to the fact that more demand is made on the sight we do not know, but we do know that all great educators today realize the importance, in educating the children, of making an approach and appeal through the visual sense. Not only is it true that what is seen will be retained longer, but the picture will be more accurate.

Wasted Effort

A word-given picture may be a pretty faithful reproduction in general scope, but lacking in very important details. We know the story of the little boy who could not remember history dates and whose teacher appealed to him thus:

"Now, Johnny, Columbus discovered America in 1492, not 1493. Try to remember this: In the year of 1492, Columbus sailed the ocean blue."

Next day Johnny was asked to give the date that Columbus discovered America, and he promptly answered 1493.

Much chagrined, the teacher said, "Johnny, don't you remember the little rhyme I gave you yesterday?

"Yes, ma'am," dutifully answered Johnny. "What is it?"

"In the year of 1493, Columbus sailed the deep blue sea."

He remembered the color of the sea all right: he remembered the substance of the rhyme: but the difference of a year in the date made no impression. Today we know that if we want to supplant the incorrect with the correct, we must in some way make an impression with the correct. A big figure 2 on the blackboard would have fixed the date in the pupil's mind.

Show Them on the Blackboard

One reason why the teacher who uses the blackboard in shorthand presentation work not only makes her class work more interesting, but secures better results generally than the teacher who does not, is because she appeals through the eye. A recognition of the value of this appeal has led to big strides being made in the past few years among the teaching fraternity in cultivating the use of the blackboard and acquiring a good blackboard style. This, and the Blackboard Contest, is responsible for more and more good teachers acquiring a beautiful style of writing. Your students may not remember what you tell them to write, but they will have vivid pictures of what you show them. Do not your own classroom experiences prove the truth of that?

Hence Our Need of Good Blackboard Writing!

"I could watch you write shorthand all day," or, "Whenever I see you write those beautiful characters on the board, I feel eager to commence writing myself to see if I can make them like you do." These comments teachers frequently hear their pupils make. The power of imitation is strong in our students. The teacher who makes good notes on the blackboard enlists the imitative faculties of the students, acquiring that much more power for accomplishing the job of training good writers.

Good piano players are not developed by placing the student at the piano with the injunction, "Now play." Neither will an explanation of the rudiments of music alone suffice to make him produce music. The shorthand teacher who merely explains how a character should be written, without first showing the pupil the way to write it, produces chaos. From experience we know that the development of a good style of writing is absolutely essential to fast and accurate transcription, and it is better to demand a good style from the beginning, so that the pupils will not have an opportunity to develop any bad habits.

Try a Two-Minute Warming-Up

Not all of the teachers have the time for special penmanship classes, but that is not absolutely essential. A good style may be encouraged and developed by a one- or twominute drill at the beginning of the class period, supplemented by blackboard illustrations. Further help may be given by criticising the notes of the pupils' class-work and home-work assignments.

The first essential, to my mind, is to impress the students with the importance of writing good notes. This can be done more forcibly, perhaps, in the transcription period than in the theory period, because pupils will then have brought home to them the necessity for accurate writing to secure accurate transcription.

I recall that Mr. Munford, an excellent teacher whom many of you know, would, at the beginning of the class period, pick out a few words and phrases likely to give difficulty, and some conspicuous for their flexibility, demonstrate how they should be written, and in a brief sentence or two compel the students to see the difference between the correct and incorrect forms. By means of a few moments' practice on the correct forms, these outlines were soon incorporated in the writing habits of the students.

Essentials of Good Penmanship

The primary essentials of good penmanship are smooth, even, light lines secured by continuous writing, correct curvature, slant, and method of joining. These aid in the development of facility in execution and in legibility. The teacher must be always on the alert to apprehend inaccuracies either in form or execution, from the time the pupil touches pen to paper until his writing habits have been well established. The good teacher realizes that the use of the blackboard is one of best possible means of accomplishing this.

Contest Helps You Develop Good Style

These remarks are pertinent at this time because of the opening of the Teachers' Blackboard Contest. This contest affords unlimited possibilities for practice, and the opportunity to have your notes criticised by experts. If, for any reason, you hesitated to enter previous contests, take advantage of this opportunity now! Not only will the precision practice that you put in on the contest copy be helpful, but you will learn just how your writing compares with the writing of other teachers.

One teacher explained her failure to compete last year by writing, "I did not enter the teachers' contest because I knew I could not write shorthand as beautifully as it should be written." Unfortunately, this teacher has been depriving herself not only of the means of acquiring the beautiful style of shorthand that she admires, but it may be that she is withholding from herself the confidence that comes to a winner when he knows that he is doing as good writing or perhaps better than the average. We must have ideals, and I for one subscribe heartily to them, but there

must be a compromise between actuality and ideals.

If what you are actually able to do does not measure up to your ideal of what it should be, gazing at the ideal will not help much in begetting strength enough to acquire it. In the language of the sportsmen, we must learn to run the dashes if we are to become strong in the mile. When Mr. Emerson wrote: "Be careful of the thing you set your heart on, for it surely shall be yours," he meant if we worked hard enough.

The Challenge Cup Awaits You

If you have set your heart on becoming a good blackboard writer, now is your opportunity. The Blackboard Contest opening this month is for you. The first prize is a beautiful silver trophy, and the winner of it wins it permanently. All that is required is to practice the blackboard contest copy until a satisfactory specimen is secured. If the writing is done on the blackboard (and blackboard writing is preferred, although in the event that a blackboard is not available to you, a pen-written specimen will be accepted), have a photographer call to take the picture as soon as you are ready for him, or, if you have a friend who is an amateur photographer or you have a camera of your own, you can take the picture yourself. We will publish Mr. Swem's "formula" for taking indoor pictures to help those of you who are novices in that field.

Conditions of the Contest

The contest opens with this announcement and will remain open to all teachers until January 31, 1928, thereby giving contestants of other lands an opportunity to send specimens to us.

To the teacher submitting the best specimen of shorthand notes written from the contest copy published here, will go the beautiful silver trophy—prize for first place—together with a cash award of \$25.00. To the winner of second place, a gold O. G. A. medal and \$10.00 will be given, and to the winner of third place, a silver O. G. A. medal and \$5.00.

If two or more contestants tie for any place, the prize for that place will be given to each party to the tie.

To the three prize winners, and to all others whose notes merit it, a beautiful Certificate of Proficiency in Shorthand Writing will be awarded

The contest is open to every teacher of Gregg Shorthand except the trophy winners in previous contests.

There is no fee whatever in connection with the contest.

The shorthand specimens will be judged on the same basis as O. G. A. work, the essential points being:

- Correct application of the principles of the system.
- Smooth, even lines, secured by writing with an easy, fluent movement.
- Characters which are correct in curvature, slant, and method of joining.
- 4. Characters which are relatively correct in size and proportion. (Blackboard work permits of greater variation in this respect than does pen work.)
- 5. Close and uniform spacing between outlines.

The teacher's name and name of school are to be sent with each specimen of notes.

The committee of judges to pass upon the papers will consist of Mr. John R. Gregg, Mr. Rupert P. SoRelle, Mr. Charles L. Swem, and Miss Florence E. Ulrich.

Start Practice Today

Here is the Contest Copy—a quotation from Professor Trent. Try it and see if you can capture this year's cup for your own.

He who hesitates may not fail, but he will never arrive with the winners!



This Contest Trophy of the best Gregg



is Awarded Writer specimen of Notes

Teachers'

Blackboard

Contest Copy-

VOID much thinking or talking about what you have to undertake, but when you see that a thing needs doing and that people look to you to do it, go ahead and trust in Providence to bring you out with something accomplished. All hard workers, as a matter of course, will grow weary and brood and play the martyr; but, if they manage to be in the main good-natured and energetic, they will be able some day to look back on a good deal of fair accomplishment, and although they will be ready to admit that they made mistakes every day and wrote and said and did things of which they were later ashamed, they would have been much more ashamed if they had not displayed "the courage of imperfection" and done their best under trying circumstances.

-Professor Trent.

Photographing the Blackboard

By Charles Lee Swem

THE fact is not generally realized that, given the necessary lighting to make the exposure, the smallest Brownie camera will take as clear a picture as the most expensive lens made. So, with a little care and patience, and perhaps a bit of experimentation, a very good photograph can be made of any blackboard.

Choose a Well-Lighted Board

The photographer's art consists mostly in the lighting effects he secures. The first consideration in securing a good photograph of any kind of subject is the lighting—to see that sufficient light falls upon the subject to be photographed to make an impression upon the sensitized plate within the camera.

To this end, the competing teacher should first choose a blackboard on which to work that is well lighted, and properly lighted. That is, it should be in a position preferably with the light shining directly upon it at right-angles to the board. This is not absolutely essential, for light can fall upon the blackboard from any angle, but be sure that when you stand on the spot where the camera is to be located in taking the picture there is no glare on the blackboard. A glaring reflection from the blackboard will be disastrous to the picture.

A blackboard alongside a window is very difficult, if not impossible, for the amateur to photograph. If there is sufficient light from the rear to light the board, the shades of the offending window can be drawn when the exposure is made, but, still, it is a hazard that should be avoided. It is well not to select such a blackboard. Thus, in choosing your blackboard, have an eye to the kind of light that will shine on your work. The volume of it is not a consideration until you come to take the picture.

Taking the Photograph

When you have completed your specimen and are ready to make the exposure, set your camera on a tripod, or some firm object, at the proper distance from the board, as you would for any other time exposure. If you use a table or chair for a support, be sure to place the camera no more than two or three

inches from the edge so as to avoid including part of the table or chair in the picture. By the range-finder on the camera you will gauge the proper distance, height, etc., in order to make the largest view you possibly can of the board upon the film.

The shutter should, of course, be set for a time exposure. If you have a bulb on your camera, use that, by all means, as there is less danger of jarring the camera with a bulb. If you have not a bulb, it is needless to caution you that the camera should not be moved the smallest fraction in opening and closing the shutter.

What "Stop"

With the shutter set for "time exposure," and the camera focused, you next have to adjust the lens to the proper stop or opening for the picture. Time exposures should be made with the lens open to a smaller diameter than for snapshots. On a box camera all that is necessary is to pull the lever up to the next opening—which brings the next smallest hole into place. On the folding cameras and kodaks that read "4, 8, 16, 32, etc.," around the bottom of the lens, the lever should be moved to stop "16." Also those reading "f 6.3 (or 7.7), 11, 16, 22, etc.," stop "16" should be used.

Now, with all this attended to, you are ready to take your picture—except for the matter of lighting and time.

What "Time"

The proper timing of a time exposure is always a question of experimentation, chiefly because lighting is not uniform in all rooms and localities. But in a classroom this should not be a profound matter. Most classrooms are well lighted, and we will assume that yours is, as well as that the color tones of the room are light or lightish. Therefore, we give this table for timing:

With a bright sun outside, expose picture for eight seconds; hazy sun, twenty seconds; cloudy bright, forty seconds; cloudy dull, eighty seconds.

If your room is well lighted, with two or more windows, and the color tones are me-

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Dupraw Wins World's Shorthand Championship

Swem Establishes World's Record

ARTIN J. DUPRAW has again secured the world's shorthand The contest was championship. held at the Plaza Hotel, San Antonio, Texas, before about a hundred and fifty spectators. There were twenty contestants trying for the various speeds and Mr. Dupraw was the only contestant to qualify on all three championship tests. On the 220 words-a-minute test (literary matter) he bettered 99% accuracy; on the 260 Jury Charge he made 96.94%, and at the 280 speed on Court Testimony his record was 99.15%. He came first on the first event and was outdistanced on the last by Mr. Swem.

Mr. Charles Lee Swem, twice world's shorthand champion, and formerly official reporter and personal stenographer to President Woodrow Wilson, established a world's record, making a speed of 280.4 words a minute net. Mr. Swem secured second place on the 220 test.

The material given at the championship speeds was difficult. In fact all of the tests were difficult. However, this did not deter the dictators from keeping up with the procession and getting to the post before the appointed time! The official report shows that on the 260 and 280 tests more than the

allotted number of words were read, so that the speeds were actually higher than "advertised."

Following is the official report:

Report of Speed Contest Committee

Speed Contest of the National Shorthand Reporters' Association held on August 16th and 17th, 1927.

and 17th, 1927.
PLAZA HOTEL, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

AUGUST 18, 1927

175 Speed: (Total words read in 5 minutes, 840)

HELEN W. EVANS net, 821—97.70%, entitled to fountain pen.

220 Speed: (Total words read in 5 minutes, 1100)
NATHAN BEHRIN net, 1066—96.90%, entitled to Bronze Medal

C. L. SWEM net, 1080—98.18%, entitled to Silver Medal.

MARTIN J. DUPRAW net, 1093—99.36%, entitled to Gold Medal.

260 Speed: (Total words read in 5 minutes, 1309) MARTIN J. DUPRAW net, 1269—96.94%, entitled to Gold Medal.

280 Speed: (Total words read in 5 minutes, 1412)
NATHAN BEHRIN net, 1390—98.44%, entitled to Bronze Medal.

MARTIN J. DUPRAW net, 1400—99.15%, entitled to Silver Medal.

C. L. SWEM net, 1402—99.29%, entitled to Gold Medal.

The Trophy: MARTIN J. DUPRAW, winner, average on three speeds, 98.48%.

Training for Accuracy Typing

TEACHERS now quite generally recognize that the best progress in typing is made by striving continuously for accuracy rather than for speed. This theory was quite conclusively proved not so long since in

an experiment made by Dr. Garry C. Myers, of Cleveland, according to a report in the Journal of Personnel Research.

Typewriting was done by two squads of seven girls each, practicing three minutes a day for

thirty-six days. One group was instructed to work for speed and were reminded by their instructor at each trial to speed up all they could. The other group was cautioned at each trial to take great care that no errors were made.

At the end of the period the accuracy group had not gained much over the speed group; but later, after four months without practice, when each group copied, for speed, unfamiliar material for ten minutes, the speeders wrote an average of 383 words, while the accuracy squad wrote an average of 451 words. The average of the accuracy workers was 1.2 words wrong per hundred, that of the speeders was 2.2.

A later series of experiments corroborated the finding that if attention was directed solely to speed, accuracy tended to diminish. On the other hand, if attention was directed solely to accuracy, speed tended to increase.

This does not prove, however, that accuracy really means accuracy of copy or that the "perfect copy" is a standard which must be maintained. It rather refers to accuracy of technique, which, of course, if achieved, naturally results in accurate copy.

To obtain accuracy does not mean "plugging" along at a speed at which each stroke is measured and the location of each key ascertained by feeling before it is struck. To get the best results in typing, even from the beginning, the speed of finding and of striking the keys must be constantly accelerated. But speed must not be carried to a point where errors occur frequently. The occasional error may be overlooked if an attempt is made to find the reason for it and to correct the difficulty in stroking.

Tests Announced for Teachers

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TOO late for publication in our September issue came the news that the Board of Examiners of New York City is holding two tests to establish eligible lists for teachers of Gregg Shorthand (men and women)—one on October 14, for junior high school teachers; and the other on November 25, for high school teachers.

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Report of the

School Shorthand and Typewriting Gontests for 1927

By Hubert A. Hagar

In the American Shorthand Teacher for January, 1927, we were able to classify the records according to dates, speeds, types of material used, eligibility, methods of rating, etc. Great progress was made in 1926 toward uniform tests for both typewriting and shorthand. Practically all the typewriting contests were conducted according to International Rules and on standard material furnished by the typewriter companies. In the shorthand contests by far the greater number used the "Standard Gregg Speed Tests," and rated the transcripts according to the National Shorthand Reporters' Association Rules.

This year so many reports have been received that it has been necessary to confine the summary to the records made by the winners of first and second places in the individual events. Space does not permit summaries of team

events, special accuracy tests, and one-minute tests.

The reports from the various states show that the year 1927 marked a decided increase in the use of uniform tests and in the use of standard rules for conducting the tests. The plan of holding District Contests from which the contestants for the State Contests are chosen is growing in favor. More emphasis is being placed upon Team Events and attempts are being made to divide first- and second-year typewriting events so that the one-period students are not required to compete with the two-period students. As a further aid to uniformity, a list of the standard tests furnished by The Gregg Publishing Company and a copy of the N. S. R. A. Rules are published at the end of this report.

Shorthand Records

Standard Gregg Tests Used and Transcripts Graded According to N.S.R.A. Rules

Group One

40 Words a Minute-First-Year Students

DATE	Contest	PLACE	NAME	HIGH SCHOOL	PERCENT	System
	April					
	Clark-Skamania					Gregg Gregg
	May					
5-21 5-21	Stanislaus County					Gregg Gregg

Group Two

50 Words a Minute-First-Year Students

DATE	Contest	PLACE	NAME	Нісн Ѕснооц	PERCENT ACCURACY	System
	April					
4-23 4-23 4-30 4-30	Jackson County District	Ashland, Oregon Ashland, Oregon Creston, Iowa Creston, Iowa	. Marjorie Lindley Marjorie Herriott	Jacksonville	96.01 93.5	Gregg Gregg Gregg Gregg
	May					
5-21 5-7		Hyannis, Mass	. Pancratia Bohnen-			Gregg
5- 7	District	Boone, Iowa		Carroll		Gregg Gregg
	June					
6- 4 6- 4 6- 4 6- 4	Massachusetts State	Boston Boston Boston Boston	. Arda Brigg	Whitman	. 100 . 100	Gregg Chandler Chandler Gregg

Group Three

60 Words a Minute-First-Year Students

DATE	CONTEST	PLACE	NAME	Нібн Ѕснооі,	ACCURACY	SYSTEM
	March					
3-25 $3-25$ $3-25$	Southern Illinois District Southern Illinois District Southern Illinois District	.Carbondale	Olan Archer	. Harrisburg	. 98	Gregg Gregg Gregg
	April					
4-9	Clark-Skamania	Camas Wash	Alice Dohl	Vancouver	100	Gregg
4-29	Southern Idaho District					Gregg
4-23	Merced-Madera Bi-County					Gregg
4-11	North Idaho District					00
4-23	Merced-Madera Bi-County					Gregg
4-9	Clark-Skamania					Gregg
4-9	District					Gregg
4-29	Southern Idaho District	Twin Falls	Cathryn Allen	Ruhl	. 97.67	
4-9	Eighth District					Gregg
4-9	District					00
4-29	Northeast Missouri District					Gregg
4-30	Northwest Missouri District.					Gregg
4-30	Northwest Missouri District .					Gregg
4-30	Central District					Gregg
4-9	District					Gregg
4-11	North Idaho Districi					Gregg
4-30	Northwest Missouri District.					Gregg
4-6	Tulare County					Gregg
4-9	District	Magyavilla Calif	Halan Dal Pasa	Vuba City	. 95.0	Gregg
4-9	Eighth District					Gregg
4-29	Northeast Missouri District					Gregg
4-23	District	Walsonburg Colo	Los Ciscole	Huerfann Count	y 94	Gregg
4-22	District	Walsenburg, Colo	Margaret Nicholds	A milen	.y 94 87.5	Gregg
4-6	Tulare County	Visalia Calif	Adah Deaugh	Doministic	86.6	Gregg
4-6	Tulare County	Visalia Calif	Fema Coopee	Portorville	. 86.6	Gregg
4-22	District					Gregg
4-22	District					Gregg Gregg
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	May					
5-7	South Dakota District		Leona Duster	Danid City	100	C
5-7	South Dakota District	Aberdeen, Mitchell				Gregg
5- 7	South Dakota District		Marian Hiller	Highmore	99.67	Gregg
			Bessie Squire	Deadwood	99.67	Gregg
5-14	Essex County					Gregg
5-14		. Lawrence, Mass	. Annie Long	North Andover	96.33	Pitman
5-14		. Phoenix, Ariz	Mabel Fulton	Phoenix	96	Gregg

DATE	Contest	PLACE	Name	Нісн Ѕсноог	PERCEN	
	June					
6-4	New Jersey State	Elizabeth	Carolyn Kahn	Union Hill	99.6	Gregg
	New Jersey State					Gregg
6-4	New Jersey State	Elizabeth	Carolyn Semon	Trenton Senior.	. 99	Graham

Group Four

60 Words a Minute on Literary Matter; 70 Words a Minute on Business Letters Average Grade on the Two Takes—First-Year Students

					PERCENT	
DATE	CONTEST	PLACE	NAME	High School	ACCURACY	System
	April					
4-30	Indiana State	. Muncie	. Dena Maines	Logansport	100	Gregg
4 - 30	Indiana State	. Muncie	. Helen Nance	New Albany	100	Gregg
4-30	Indiana State	Niuncie	. Elizabeth Wells	New Albany	100	Gregg
4-30	Indiana State	. Muncie	. Mary Akers	Lebanon	99.74	Gregg
4-30	Indiana State	. Muncie	. Winifred Koon	. Logansport	99.74	Gregg
4-30	Indiana State	Muncie	. Florine Buysse	.South Bend	99.74	Gregg
4-	District	. Vincennes, Ind	. Marian Biedenharn.	Evansville	98.46	Gregg
4-	District	.New Albany, Ind	Ruth Million	. New Albany	98.2	Gregg
4	District	.Ft. Wayne, Ind	. Margaret Umbach	Ft. Wayne	97.43	Gregg
4-	District	. Clinton, Ind	. Margaret Griffiths	.Clinton	97.2	Gregg
4-	District	Crawfordsville, Ind.	. Mary Akers	. Lebanon	96.4	Gregg
4-	District	. Michigan City, Ind.	.Vernon Ritter	. Valparaiso	95.9	Gregg
4-	District	. Whiting, Ind	.Truth Trester	. Hobart	95.48	Gregg
4-	District	. Logansport, Ind	.George Brown	. Peru	94.7	Gregg
4-	District	. Muncie, Ind	. Nell Tharp	. Muncie	93.71	Gregg
4-	District	. Bloomington, Ind	.Edna Meyers	. Martinsville	. 93.6	Gregg
4-	District	. Mishawaka, Ind	.Elsie Boudonk	. Mishawaka	93.47	Gregg
4-	District	. Elwood, Ind	.Lucille Dalton	.Elwood	90.5	Gregg
4-	District	. Rushville, Ind	.Ethyl Benz	.Batesville	. 89	Gregg
4-	District	. Richmond, Ind	. Marcella Crosby	. Richmond	. 88.4	Gregg
4-	District	. Indianapolis, Ind	. Louella Wambsgnass	Indianapolis	. 79.48	Gregg
4-	District	Marion, Ind	. Mary Seward	. Jonesboro	. 57.6	Gregg

Group Five

70 Words a Minute—First-Year Students

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DATE	CONTEST	PLACE	NAME	HIGH SCHOOL	ACCURAC	t Ly System
	April					
4-30	Montana State					Gregg
4-30	Montana State					Gregg
4-29	Colorado State					Gregg
4 - 29	Colorado State					Gregg
4 - 23	District					Gregg
4-23	District	Boulder, Colo	Alma Kerr	. Louisville	. 83.7	Gregg
4 - 23	San Juan District	Durango, Colo	Bernice Sechrist	. Durango	. 67	Gregg
4-23	San Juan District	Durango, Colo	Helen Trimble	. Dolores	. 66	Gregg
	May					
5-13	Michigan State	Kalamazoo	Alberta Vandenberg.	.Grand Rapids	. 100	Gregg
5-13	Michigan State	Kalamazoo	Evelyn Hofacker	. Constantine	. 100	Gregg
5-13	Michigan State	Kalamazoo	Ruby Shopbell	. Eaton Rapids	. 99.7	Gregg
5-13	Michigan State					Gregg
5-13	Michigan City					Gregg
5-7	Oklahoma Interscholastic					Gregg

Group Six

80 Words a Minute-First-Year Students

DATE	CONTEST	PLACE	NAME	High School	PERCE	
	April					
4-30	Berks County	Reading, Pa				Gregg Gregg

Group Seven

50 Words a Minute—Three-Term Students Began Shorthand January 1, 1926

DATE	Contest	PLACE	NAME	High School	PERCENT ACCURACY	
	May					
5-21	Stanislaus County	. Modesto, Calif	Virginia Williams	. Modesto	. 100	Gregg
5-21	Stanislaus County	. Modesto, Calif	Helen Leeper	. Modesto	. 99.6	Gregg
5 - 21	Stanislaus County	. Modesto, Calif	Edith Bashor	. Modesto	. 99.6	Gregg

Group Eight

60 Words a Minute—Three-Term Students Began Shorthand January 1, 1926

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DATE	CONTEST	PLACE	NAME	Нісн Ѕснооц	PERCENT ACCURAC	
	May					
5-21	Stanislaus County	. Modesto, Ca	dif Pauline Pitti	. Modesto	99.5	Gregg
5-21	Stanislaus County	. Modesto, Ca	dif Bessie Castley	Modesto	99	Gregg
5 - 21	Stanislaus County	. Modesto, Ca	lif Edith Freeman	. Modesto	. 99	Gregg
5-21	Stanislaus County	. Modesto, Ca	dif Ernest Eilertsen	Modesto	99	Gregg
5-21	Stanislaus County	. Modesto, Ca	lif Evelyn Greenley	Turlock	. 99	Gregg

Group Nine

60 Words a Minute-Second-Year Students

DATE	CONTEST	PLACE	Name	HIGH SCHOOL	Percen Accurac	
	April Clark-Skamania Clark-Skamania					Gregg Gregg

Group Ten

70 Words a Minute-Second-Year Students

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DATE	CONTEST	PLACE	NAME	High School	PERCEN	
	April					
4-30	District	Creston, Iowa	Catherine Igoe	Creston	. 96	Gregg
4-30	District	Creston, Iowa	Lillie Welcher	Creston	. 92	Gregg
	May					
5-21	Stanislaus County	Modesto, Calif	Sophie Grossman	Modesto	. 99.7	Gregg
5-21	Stanislaus County	Modesto, Calif	Vivian Flaherty .	Modesto	. 98.9	Gregg

Group Eleven

80 Words a Minute-Second-Year Students

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DATE	CONTEST		PLACE	NAME	HIGH SCHOOL	ACCURAC	Y SYSTEM
	March						
3-25	Southern Illinois	District	.Carbondale	Mary Hensley	. Harrisburg	99.3	Gregg
3 - 25	Southern Illinois	District	.Carbondale	Edna Windland	Marion	. 99	Gregg
	April						
4 - 23	Jackson County.		. Ashland, Oregon	Mary Galey	Ashland	99.50	Greigg
4-9	District		.Rapid City, S. Da	k Marjorie Regan	. Deadwood	99.25	Gregg
4-9	District		. Pierre, S. Dak	Mildred Huney	. Pierre	99,25	Gregg
4-1	Utah State		. Provo	Donna Leak	Kayeville	99.2	Gregg
4-1	Utah State		. Provo	Clara Pace	. Payson	98.8	Gregg
4-9	Clark-Skamania.		.Camas, Wash	Bessie Boyse	Vancouver	98.5	Gregg
4-9	Clark-Skamania		. Camas, Wash	Agnes Harteloo	Battle Ground	. 98	Gregg
4-30				Herman Behrle			Gregg
4-23	Jackson County.		. Ashland, Oregon .	Ingrid Johnson	. Jacksonville	98	Gregg
4-9	District			k. Alli Jacobson			Gregg
4-30	Berks County			Warren Gerhart			Gregg
4-9	District			Heather Douglas			Gregg
4-16	Cumberland Cou	inty		Catherine Stevens.			Gregg
4-16	Cumberland Cou	inty	. Portland, Maine,.	Ruth Blood	Deering	. 96.2	Gregg
	May						
5-21	Stanislaus Count	V	. Modesto, Calif	Elsie Pienon	Turlock	. 99.8	Gregg
5-21				Florence Ginnison .			Gregg
5-14			.Phoenix				Gregg

DATE	Contest	PLACE	NAME	Ніон Ѕснооц	Percent Accuracy	System
5-14 5-14 5-14	Oxford County	. Norway, Maine	Kathryn Richardson.	Norway	94.6	Gregg Gregg Gregg
	June					
6-4	New Jersey State New Jersey State New Jersey State	.Elizabeth	Anna Savastano	Paterson	100 Isaa	Gregg c Pitman Gregg

Group Twelve

90 Words a Minute-Second-Year Students

DATE	Contest	PLACE	NAME	Нісн Ѕснооі	PERCEN'	Y System
	April					
4-29	Southern Idaho District.	Twin Falls	Leona Chapman	. Filer	. 97.3	Gregg
4-11	North Idaho District	Spokane, Wash	Dorothy Bennett	Sandpoint	. 96.4	Gregg
4-22	District	Walsenburg, Colo	Genolda Vaughn	Hueriano Count	y 95	Gregg
4-29	Southern Idaho District.	Twin Falls	Virginia Brock	Buhl	. 94.7	Gregg
4-23	Merced-Madera Bi-Cour	ity Merced, Calif	Elsie Piener	Turlock	. 94	Gregg
4-6	Tulare County	Visalia, Calif	Merle Double	Porterville	. 89.7	Gregg
4-23	Merced-Madera Bi-Cour	ity Merced, Calif	Audrey Booth	Turlock	. 88.4	Gregg
4-11	North Idaho District					Gregg
4-6	Tulare County					Gregg
4-23	San Juan District				. 68	Gregg
4-23	San Juan District	Durango, Colo	Rosie Stoddard	Durango	. 64	Gregg
	May					
5-14	Essex County	Lawrence, Mass.	Annetta Anderson.	Andover	. 97.06	Gregg
5-14	Essex County	Lawrence, Mass.	Ruth Graichen	Lawrence	. 96.38 Be	nnPitman
5-7	District	Boone, Iowa	Elmer Berglund	Perry	. 96	Gregg
5-7	District	Boone, Iowa	Lucille Vontrees	Boone	. 94.25	Gregg
5-21	Barnstable County	Hyannis, Mass	Evelyn Bearse	Chatham	. 92.4	Gregg
	June					
6-4	Massachusetts State	Boston	Susanah Kellev	Chatham	97.77	Gregg
6-4	Massachusetts State					Chandler

Group Thirteen

90 Words a Minute on Literary Matter; 100 Words a Minute on Business Letters Average Grade on Two Tests—Second-Year Students

					PERCENT	
DATE	CONTEST	PLACE	NAME	HIGH SCHOOL	ACCURACY	System
	April					
4-	District	Vincennes, Ind	Halloin Morgan.	Evansville	99.82	Gregg
4-	District	Ft. Wayne, Ind	Ruth Jennings	Ft. Wayne	99.82	Gregg
4-	District	Mishawaka, Ind	Eleanor Smith	South Bend	98.40	Gregg
4-	District	Rushville, Ind	Jeanette Moore.	I. S. S. O. H	98.39	Gregg
4-	Indiana State	Muncie	Ruth Jennings	Ft. Wayne	98.38	Gregg
4-	District	Indianapolis, Ind.	Mary Harness	Indianapolis	. 98.33	Gregg
4-	Indiana State	Muncie	Minnie Kornblus	hEvansville	97.84	Gregg
4-	District	Bloomington, Ind.	Beatrice Dailey	Martinsville	. 97.49	Gregg
4-	District	Richmond, Ind	Elizabeth B. Smit	th Richmond	96.8	Gregg
4-	District	Crawfordsville, In	d Maxine Cronk	Hillsboro	. 96.6	Gregg
4-	District	Whiting, Ind	Marie Jablouski.	East Chicago	95.87	Gregg
4-	District	Logansport, Ind	Victor Krauskopf	Peru	. 95.8	Gregg
4-	District	Michigan City, In	d. Winifred Cooney	Michigan City.	. 95.2	Gregg
4-	District	Marion, Ind	Josephine Lewis.	Huntington	. 94.03	Gregg
4-	District	Clinton, Ind	Dorothy Nelson.	Clinton	. 93.1	Gregg
4-	District	New Albany, Ind.	Mildred Gray	Madison	. 92.2	Gregg
4-	District	Muncie, Ind	Evelyn McCune.	Dunkirk	. 83.25	Gregg
4-	District	Elwood, Ind	Thelma Overton.	Kokomo	80.89	Gregg

Group Fourteen 100 Words a Minute-Second-Vear Students

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DATE	CONTEST	PLACE	NAME	HIGH SCHOOL		System
	March					
3-25	Southern Illinois District	Carbondale	Edna Windland	Marion	98.3	Gregg
3-25	Southern Illinois District					Gregg
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4-29	Northeast Missouri District					Gregg
4-16	Cumberland County					Gregg
4-29	Northeast Missouri District Cumberland County					Gregg
4-16						Gregg
4-30 4-22	Montana State					Gregg Gregg
4-22	Northwest Missouri District.					Gregg
4-30	Montana State					Gregg
4-22	District	. Cheyenne Wells,		_		Oregg
			. Alice Hutton			Gregg
4 - 30	Northwest Missouri District.					Gregg
4-22	District					Gregg
4-23	Central Missouri District		. Mildred Sutherlin	.Sedalia	93.8	Gregg
4-22	District		. Helen Hubbard	CharramacCaunts	93.4	C
4-23	Central Missouri District					Gregg Gregg
4-29	Colorado State					Gregg
4-29	District					Gregg
4-9	District					Gregg
4-29	Colorado State					Gregg
4-23	District					Gregg
4-29	First District					Gregg
4-23	District					Gregg
4-22	District.					Gregg
	May					
5-14	Wisconsin State	. Whitewater	. Ruth Gerke	.Tomah	. 100	Gregg
5-14	Wisconsin State	.Whitewater	.Bertha Duibe	.Racine	. 100	Gregg
5-14	Wisconsin State Vocational	.Whitewater	. Mary Bonady	.Racine	. 100	Gregg
5-14	Wisconsin State Vocational	.Whitewater	. Isabelle Zinner	.Racine	. 99.4	Gregg
5-14	Wisconsin State Vocational	.Whitewater	.Erma Smith	.Fond du Lac	. 99.4	Gregg
5-7	South Dakota District					
			.Elsie Walser			Gregg
5-13	Michigan State					Gregg
5- 7	Penobscot County					Gregg
5-13	Michigan State					Gregg
5-7	Penobscot County		. Katharine Scherer	. Bangor	. 98.3	Gregg
5-7	South Dakota District		36 1 5 1	(1) 93 11	00	
			Marion Davie			Gregg
5- 7	Somerset County					Gregg
5-7	Somerset County	. Pittsneid, Maine	Arietta Littieneid	. Pittsneid	. 10	Gregg
	June	W144 4 4		95 4 4	00.0	
6- 4	New Jersey State					Gregg
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		Group	Fifteen			
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120 Words a Minute-Unlimited

DATE	Contest	PLACE	NAME	Нівн Ѕснооц	PERCENT	
5-13	May Michigan State	Kalamazoo	. Margaret King	Owosao	. 96.6	Gregg

Miscellaneous

Because of Organization, Method of Grading, Test Material Used, etc., these contests could not be included in the General Summaries.

Canada

Twin City Shorthand Contest, Kitchener, Ontario, May 27, 1927

		I DACENI	
NAME	SCHOOL,	ACCURACY	System
Novice Class-80-word-	a-minute dictation		
Clement Kraemer	St. Jerome's College	98.5	Gregg

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October Nineteen Tw	enty-Seven		59
		PERCENT	
NAME	SCHOOL	ACCURACY	System
Francis Derochie Senior Class (Office Work Elsie Ewald	word-a-minute dictationSt. Jerome's CollegeSt. Jerome's College ders)—80 word-a-minute dictation	n 97	Gregg
	Connecticut		
Conne	cticut Business Educators'	Association Contest	
	Derby, March 19, 18	927	
		PERCENT	
NAME 80 word-a-minute dictation	HIGH SCHOOL	ACCURACY	System
Elizabeth Cook Loretta Hatch*	. Meriden	99.5	Gregg
Jennie Mermin	New Haven		
Jennie Mermin*	onNew Haven		
		PERCENT	
NAME	Business School	ACCURACY	System
80 word-a-minute dictation Mary Gauthers	onMerchants & Bankers Sch ford		Carana
Evelyn Clarke*	Stone Business School, Ne Waterbury Business College	w Haven 99.5	.Isaac Pitman
Anna Chappo	Stone Business College, Ne Laurel Business School, Me		
120 word-a-minute dicta Mary Gauthers	Merchants & Bankers Sci		Gregg
	Illinois		
	District Contes	st	
	East Peoria High School, A	May 7, 1927	
		PERCENT	
NAME 60 word-a-minute dictate	HIGH SCHOOL	ACCURACY	System
Ethel Conn	East Peoria		Gregg
Mildred Baechler. 80 word-a-minute dictate	East Peoria	95.5	Gregg
	East Peoria		
100 word-a-minute dicta		07.0	0
	East Peoria		
	Illinois State Commerce	ial Contest	
	Normal, May 21, 1		
3.4		PERCENT	
NAME 60 word-a-minute dictat	HIGH SCHOOL	Accuracy	System

^{*} Winner in each class

Geraldine Collette....Gilman.....
Julia Hancock.....Hillsboro....

00		The American Shortho	ind Teacher
		PERCENT	
NAME	HIGH SCHOOL	ACCURACY	System
Edith Cohen	Springfield	99.5	Gregg
Mary Crenshaw	Marion	99	Gregg
	Hillsboro		Heyenga
Barbara Barnes	Macomb		Gregg
	Nokomis		Heyenga
80 word-a-minute dic	tation		
	Peoria	97.6	Grego
	Havana		
	Fairbury		
	Staunton		
100 word-a-minute di			488
	Peoria	00	Gregg
	Aurora		
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	Iowa		
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	District Shorthan		
	Mason City, Apri		
		PERCENT	
NAME	High School	ACCURACY	System
Novice-50 word-a-n			
	Mason City		
Julia Meier	Mason City		Gregg
Amateur-70 word-a	-minute dictation		
Dorothy Von B	ergMason City	95.7	Gregg
Gladys Hetland	Mason City		Gregg
	Storm Lake, Apri	1 30 1927	
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	ninute dictation for 3 minutes	00	0
	Storm Lake		
	Sioux Rapids		Gregg
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	esStorm Lake		
Pearl Kannenbe	ergStorm Lake	87	Gregg
	Michigo	an	
F	Fifth Annual Upper Penins	ula Shorthand Contest	
	Marquette, May	7, 1927	
	(Kimball material used, Tests Approxi	mately 31/2 minutes in length.)	
		PERCENT	
NAME	HIGH SCHOOL	ACCURACY	System
Novice-70 word-a-1		Mecokaci	Dista
	trandBaraga	100	Gregg
	1Painsdale		
-			Gregg
Amateur-100 word		100	0
	ksonIshpeming		Gregg
	Kingsford		Gregg
	n Houghton		Gregg
Ida Nivola	Houghton	99.7	Gregg
	Minnes	ota	
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Minnesota State High School Commercial Contest St. Paul, May 21, 1927

Name	High School	PERCENT ACCURACY	System
Second Year-100 w	ord-a-minute dictation		
Ethel Shedlor	West High, Minneapolis	99.2	Scientific
Mildred Zuch	Stillwater	99	Gregg

New York

New York City Gregg Shorthand Teachers' Association Annual Shorthand Contest

New York City, May 21, 1927

NAME	SCHOOL	PERCENT ACCURACY	System
0 word-a-minute dictation	8		
Beatrice Brown	Bushwick High, Brookly	rn100	Gregg
Edna Dilley	Flushing High, New Yo	rk City 100	Gregg
Louis Campo	High School of Commer- City		Gregg
Lillian Bloch	Union Hill High, Union	City, N. J 100	Gregg
	N. Y	100	Gregg
	East Orange, N. J., Hig		Gregg
Marjorie Purcell	Katherine Gibbs School		Gregg
Edith Smith	Katherine Gibbs School		Gregg
Lois Hayes	Katherine Gibbs School	-	Gregg
00 word-a-minute dictati	on		
		yn 99.9 99.6	
Schools Submitting Perfec	t Transcripts		
SCHOOL	CITY	PERFECT PAPERS	System
Katherine Gibbs School.	New York City		Gregg
High School of Commerc	e New York City	7	Gregg
ames Monroe High Scho	ool . New York City	7	Gregg
Union Hill High School.	Union City, N. I		Gregg

Ohio

Fourth Annual State Contest Bowling G. een, May 7, 1927

Name	Нідн Ѕснооі,	PERCENT ACCURACY ON COMBINED TESTS	System
Novice Class—two-min	ute dictations at 50, 60 and 70	words a minute	
	Stivers High, Dayton		
A mateur Class—two-m	inute dictations at 80, 90 and 1	100 words a minute	
Mary Fairchild	Stivers High, Dayton	99.47	Gregg
Helen Brabenec.	West Commerce High, (Cleveland 99.37	Gregg
Championship Class—	two-minute dictations at 110, 1	15 and 120 words a minute	
Vivian Coffey	West Commerce High,	Cleveland100	Gregg
Lucille Koepke	West Commerce High,	Cleveland100	Gregg
Mildred Hurley	John Adams High, Clev	eland 99.14	Gregg

Pennsylvania Inter-County Shorthand Contest

East Division, Reading, Pa., May 7, 1927 West Division, Indiana, Pa., May 14, 1927 (Rates of speed and grades not reported)

NAME	HIGH SCHOOL	RANK	System
First Year			
Dorothy Phelan	Etna		Gregg
Doris Kane	Patton		Gregg
Second Year			
	Frackville		
Elizabeth Barnhar	tUniontown		Gregg
Free-for-all			
Dorothy Black	Kittanning		Gregg
Alice Scheid	Etna		Gregg

Wisconsin

First Radio Shorthand Contest

Broadcasted by Lincoln High School, Manitowoc, Wisconsin

April 11, 1927

NAME	HIGH SCHOOL	,	RANK	System
	tationPlymouth Denmark			
	tation onDepere 1Depere			

Typewriting Records

Winners of first and second places in the first-year typewriting events variously described as "Novice Class," "Beginners," "Junior Typewriting," "Typewriting 1," "Elementary Typewriting," "First-Year Class," etc.

Group One First-Year Students

DATE	CONTEST	PLACE	Name		NET WORDS A MINUTE
3-25 3-25	March Southern Illinois Distri Southern Illinois Distri	etCarbondale etCarbondale	Laverne Sloan	. Harrisburg	. 64 . 57
	April				
4-30 4-29 4-30 4-29 4-11 4-30 4-29 4-30 4-29 4-30 4-23	Southern Idaho District Northwest Missouri Di Southern Idaho District North Idaho District Indiana State Northeast Missouri Di Indiana State District Northwest Missouri Di Colorado State Montana State Montana State	Bozeman. t. Twin Falls. strict Maryville t. Twin Falls. Spokane, Wash. Muncie. strict Kirksville Muncie Vincennes, Ind. strict Maryville Greeley Bozeman Ashland, Oregon	Jack Nunemaker Pete Dietz Adele Osborn Donald Rogers Ola Rogers (a) Ahad Maitland Dorothy Campbell (b) Wilma Harty (b) Mary Schulte Charles Kraft Rosina Cortell	Twin Falls Mary ville Gooding Wallace Mishawaka La Plata Evansville Evansville Oregon Longmont Butte	. 61 .2 . 61 . 60 .88 . 60 . 59 .93 . 59 .6 . 59 .22 . 59 .06 . 59

⁽a) Single periods. (b) Double periods.

DATE	Contest	PLACE	Name	NI High School A	ET WORDS MINUTE
4-	District	. Crawfordsville. Ind	Sadie Brittain (a)	Frankfast	58 2
4 - 30	Indiana State	Muncie	Virginia Damora (h)	Marian	58 2 57 81
4 - 30	Indiana State	Muncie	Sadia Drittain (a)	Esperie	57 53
4-9	District	Marveville Calif	Cross Divor	C-14	57
4- 6	Tulare County	Visalia Calif	Dorothy Crohtman	Tuloss	56
4-30	District	Storm Lake, Iowa	Gladya McIntoch	Scholler	55 53
4-	District	. Malrion, Ind	. Virginia Bowers (b)	. Marion	55 3
4-	District	. Mishawaka, Ind	.Ola Rogers (a)	. Mishawaka	55
4-11 4-23	North Idaho District	Spokane, Wash	. Ora Spoor	. Bonners Ferry	54 I
4-1	Utah State	Provo	Mabel Wells	. Turlock	54
4- 1	Utah State	Penvin	Lewis Doeby	. Richheld	54
4-29	First District	Ft. Smith. Ark	Merle Pachl	Et Conith	54 53 67
4	District	New Albany, Ind	Ethel Iltrecht (a)	Now Albany	53 3
4-29	Northeast Missouri District	Kirksville	David Richardson	Macon	53 1
4-23	Jackson County	. Ashland, Oregon	Frances Gallatin	Ashland	52 40
4-	District	. Richmond. Ind	Mary Wright (b)	Lvnn	52.4
4-9	District	Rapid City, S. Dak	Ethel Norman	Lead	52 . 33
4-23	Florida State	. Jacksonville	. Minnie Berry	.St. Augustine	52
4- 1	Utah State	. Provo	Lorin Wheelwright	.Ogden	52
4-	District	. Elwood, Ind	Ruth Barker (b)	.Greentown	52
4-	District	. Bloomington, Ind	. Alfred Haislup (a)	. Columbus	52
4-	District	Crawfordeville Ind	Madaline Long (b)	. South Whitley	51 9
4-	District	Bloomington Ind	Ruth Cox (b)	Franklin	51 6 51
4-29	Colorado State	Greelev	Bill Hayden	Greelev	51
4-9	District	Marysville, Calif	Euveta Barnes	Durham	50
4-16	Cumberland County	Portland, Maine	Wilma Wildes	Deering	50
4	District	. Whiting, Ind	.Lillian Kuehl (b)	. Merrillville	50
4 - 30	District	. Creston, Iowa	. Beulah Harris	. Creston	49 7
4-	District	. Logansport, Ind	. Elizabeth McKnight (b	.Fowler	49 66
4-	District	. Indianapolis, Ind	Frances Driskell (b)	. Beech Grove	49
4-9	District	. Rushville, Ind	. Ruth Rhodes (b)	.Carthage	48 27
4-9	District	. Pierre, S. Dak	. Anna Kirk	. Pierre	48 1
4-	District	Michawaka Ind	Coile Stores (b)	. Kensselaer	
4-30	District				47 6 47 53
4-30	Hancock County				47
4-	District				47
4-	District				46 98
4	District				46 9
4-9	District	.Rapid City, S. Dak	Ellen Pearce	.Lead	46 8
4-23	Merced-Madera Bi-County	. Merced, Calif	. Edith Wuertly	. Merced	46
4-6	Tulare County				46
4-23	Central Missouri District				
4-23 4-23	Central Missouri District San Juan District				45.05
4-23	District				
4	District				
4-30	Berks County				
4-23	San Juan District				
4-9	District	. Pierre, S. Dak	. Martha Drew	. Highmore	42 9
4-	District	. Indianapolis, Ind	. Leona Schneider (a)	Greenfield	42 8
4-	District				
4-	District				
4-	District				
4-9	District	. Mobridge, S. Dak	Lorene Kasmussen	We Comit !	40 6
4-29	District	Creeton Torra	Marioria Harriott	Redford	40 45
4-30	District	Clinton Ind	Harry Dunivan (h)	Perryeville	40 2 39
4-	District	Muncie, Ind	. Inez Coon (b)	Kennard	38.69
4-30	Berks County	Reading, Pa	Elwood Wagner	Reading	37
4-30	Clark-Skamania.	.Camas, Wash	. Lorraine Nelson	.Yacolt	34.9
4-9	Clark-Skamania	. Camas, Wash	. Helen Russell	. Washougal	34 5
4-30	Hancock County	. Ellsworth, Maine	.Ruth Clark	.Castine	32
4-16	Cumberland County	Portland, Maine	.Thelma Gribbin	. Portland	26
4-9	District	, Mobridge, S. Dak	. Edna Fenske	.Mobridge	22 6
	May				
5-21	Illinois State	.Normal	Louverne Sloan	. Harrisburg	70
5-21	Illinois State				69
5-7	California State	.Sacramento	. Doris Mueller	Sacramento	68
5-7	Ohio State	. Bowling Green	. Dina Diamond	. Clevelai.d	64 94
5-14	Wieconein State	Whitewater	. Verna Schmidt	.Tomah	64 4
5-14	Wincomein State	Whitewater	. Laura Cassels	Tomah	63.7
5-13	Michigan State	. Kalamazoo	. Audrey Harvey (b)	. Croswell	63 60
5- 6	Idaho State	. Pocatello	Jack Nunemaker	Twin Falls	62 97

⁽a) Single periods. (b) Double periods.

				Ne	T Words
DATE	CONTEST	PLACE	Name	HIGH SCHOOL A	MINUTE
5- 6			Albert Kosanke		62.76
5-21	Minnesota State	.St. Paul	Ruth Thompson	.St. James	62.7
5-21	Minnesota State				61.6
5-7 5-7	Ohio State Michigan Upper Peninsula				61.22 61.1
5-7	California State				61
5-14	Arizona State.				60
5-14	Essex County				59 7
5-14	Essex County				56 6
5-7	Michigan Upper Peninsula		-	cock	56.4
5-13	Michigan State			cock	55.73
5-7	Oklahoma Interscholastic				54.2
5-14 5-7	Arizona State South Dakota District	.Aberdeen, Mitchell and	d		54
	0111		Alfred Bieber		53.5
5- 7 5- 7	Oklahoma Interscholastic District				53.2 52
5-7	District				51
5- 7	South Dakota District	.Aberdeen, Mitchell and	d		
	Th. 4.1.4		Shirley Kilpatrick		50.1
5-7	District				48.8
5- 7 5- 7	Penobscot County				47.8 44.6
5-7	Penobscot County				37.8
	June				
6-4	New Jersey State	.Elizabeth	Eleanor Mikus	. West New York	57
	New Jersey State				52
		Group	Two		
		Novice Class-H	Private Schools		
				N	T WORDS
DATE	CONTEST	PLACE	NAME	SCHOOL A	MINUTE
	April				
4-23	Florida State	Jacksonville	Ruby Nance	. Florida Bus. Univ.	89
	May				
5 7		Community and Law As			
0- 1	California State	Sacramento and Los Ar	Helen Kieft	Armstrong Cohoot	
		Be103		of Business.	
				Berkeley	61
5-7	California State	Sacramento and Los	An-		
		geles	Alden Wilson	. Armstrong School	
				of Business,	
				Berkeley	55
5-21	Wisconsin Private Commerci Schools	al Fond du Lac	Margaret Carpenter	. Madison College	50.5
5-21	Wisconsin Private Commerci	al			
	Schools	Fond du Lac	Lester Blumer	. Madison College	44.6
			DI.		
		Group T	Three		
		Advanced Class-	Private Schools		
DATE	CONTEST	DIACE	Name		T WORDS
	CONTEST	PLACE	NAME	SCHOOL A	MINUTE
27414					
2001	May				
		ial			
5-21	May Wisconsin Private Commerci Schools		Roberta Brooks		a2 =
5-21	Wisconsin Private Commerci	Fond du Lac	Roberta Brooks	. Wis. Com'l Acad., Milwaukee	63.5

NET WORDS

Group Four Second-Year Students

Winners of first and second places in the second-year typewriting events, variously described as "Amateur," "Typewriting II," "Advanced Typewriting," "Senior Typewriting," and "Second-Year Typewriting"

In this group the contestants began the study of typewriting in September, 1925, and as far as we are able to tell from the reports, have had less than 400 class hours of instruction.

				У.	ET WORDS
DATE	CONTEST	PLACE	NAME	HIGH SCHOOL	MINUTE
	3.6 1				
	March				
3-25	Southern Illinois District	Carbondale	Mildred Thompson	. Harrisburg	. 69
3-25	Southern Illinois District	Carbondale	Audrey Montgomery	Sparta	. 59
	4 - 13				
	April				
4-11	North Idaho District	Spokane, Wash	Ethyl Bliss	Bonners Ferry	84.9
4-30	Indiana State	. Muncie	Mildred Siebe (b)	Evansville	82.41
4-30	Indiana State	Muncie	Edna Metzger (b)	Evansville	. 82.17
4-	District				
4-30	Montana State				
4-30	Montana State				
4-29	Northeast Missouri District				
4-	District				
4-23	Merced-Madera Bi-County				
4-30	Indiana State				
4-11	North Idaho District				
4-	District				
4-	District				
4-30	District				
4-	District				
4-	District	Logansport Ind	Flow Sample (b)	Logansport	. 68.20
4-29	Colorado State	Creeley	Oral C. Lutener	Creeley	. 68
4-9	District	Pierre S Dak	Heather Douglas	Highmore	. 67.2
4-6	Tulare County				
4-23	Merced-Madera Bi-County.				
4-1	Utah State				
#- T	Other State	.11040	. Willia Doyle	Univ	
4	District	Duchwille Ind	Pennaga Wilson		
4- 9	District	Morreville Colif	Helen Del Pere	Value Cite	. 66
4-30	Indiana State	Muncie	Coorgo Ham (a)	Mishinson	. 00
4-30	District	Storm Lake Town	Mariaria Halmas	. Macingantown	. 65.87
4-30	District	Elwood Ind	Coorse Word (c)	.Storm Lake	. 65.73
40-	District	Indianapolis Ted	Vethering Warnitan (. Michigantown	. 65
4	Utah State				
4-1	Utan State District	Mammilla	Describ Property	. Richneid	. 64
4-30	Northwest Missouri District.	Casalas	Darron Boeppier	. Maryville	. 64
4-29	Colorado State				
4-29	Southern Idaho District	Twin Palls	Lora Whus	. Rupert	. 63.9
4-29	Southern Idaho District	. I win Falls	. Edith Johnson	.Twin Falls	. 63.9
4-9	District	. Marysville, Calii	Irma Brandstatt	. Yuba City	. 63
4-29	Southern Idaho District	Vieles III	. Florence Foutz	. Burley	. 62.9
4-29	Northeast Missouri District	. Kirksville	Letna Boulton	.Atlanta	. 60.79
4-29	Northeast Missouri District	. Kirksville	. Virginia Becker	. Hannibal	
4-	District				
4-	District	. Bloomington, Ind	. Marie Routon (a)	. Bloomington	. 59 6
4-30	Northwest Missouri District	. Maryville	. Mildred Sandison	. Maryville	. 59.2
4-6	Tulare County	. Visalia, Calif	. Kuby Gibson	. Visalia	. 59
4-23	Central Missouri District	. Warrensburg	. Mary Sweeney	. Jefferson City	. 58.06
4-	District	. Marion, Ind	. Viola Kierstead (a)	. Jonesboro	. 57.6
4-	District	. Whiting, Ind	. Geraldine Muffitt (b).	. Whiting	. 57.2
4-	District	. Crawfordsville, Ind	. Lucile Parnell (b)	. Darlington	
4-30	District				
4-30	District				
4-	District	.Logansport, Ind	. Mary Strassberger	.Oxford	. 55.60
4-9	District	. Rapid City, S. Dak	. Florence Gasson	. Deadwood	. 55.4
4-9	District	. Rapid City, S. Dak	.Leona Duster	. Rapid City	. 55.3
4-	District	. Mishawaka, Ind	.Ethel Bickel (b)	.Bristol	. 55.1
4-30	Berks County	. Reading, Pa	. Alice Moran	. Reading	. 54
4-	District	Michigan City, Ind	. Eunice Bailey (a)	.Valparaiso	. 53.9
4-	District	. Richmond, Ind	. Gladys Drysdale (a)	. Richmond	. 53
4-23	Jackson County	. Ashland, Oregon	.Edwin Andren	. Medford	. 52.33
4-23	Jackson County	. Ashland, Oregon	. Janey Walker	. Ashland	. 52
4-30	Berks County	. Reading, Pa	. Max Hindin	. Reading	. 51
4-	District	Richmond Ind	Thelma Franklin (h)	Spiceland	50.7
4-23	San Juan District	. Durango, Colo	. Mary Valentine	. Durango	. 50
4-23	Central Missouri District	. Warrensburg	.Albert Bybee	Sedalia	49.9
4-	District	Ft. Wayne, Ind	Lucile Milholland (b).	. Lancaster	. 49.5
4-30	Hancock County	. Ellsworth, Maine	. Mildred Clark	. Castine	. 49

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DATE	Contest	PLACE	NAME	HIGH SCHOOL A	
4-9 4-16 4-9 4-16 4-9 1-23 1-1 4-9 4-23 4-23 4-30 4-9	District District Cumberland County Clark-Skamania District Cumberland County Clark-Skamania Florida State District District District Florida State San Juan District Hancock County District	New Albany, Ind. Portland, Maine. Camas, Wash. Indianapolis, Ind. Portland, Maine. Camas, Wash Jacksonville. Whiting, Ind. Bloomington, Ind. Mobridge, S. Dak Jacksonville. Durango, Colo. Ellsworth, Maine.	John Shipley (a) Dorothy Armstrong. Edna Dahl Elizabeth Servies (b) Minerva Means Benjamin Harbinski. William Amos, Jr Dorothy Thompson (a) Sue Armstrong (b) Lulu Nelson. Mildred Cuppett George Reed. Sylvia Cushman.	Madison . Portland . Skamania . Noblesville Freeport Camas Duval . East Chicago . Masonic Home . Mobridge Duval . Dolores . Ellsworth .	48 8 48 6 48 4 48 4 47 8 46 33 46 43 31 42 2 42 42 42 43 36 3
	May				
5- 7 5- 7	California State Upper Peninsula	Los Angeles	.Evelyn Mingus	.St. Patrick's, Han-	86
5- 7	California State	Ton America	Maria Namell	Colton	83.7 79
5-21	Illinois State				78
5-13	Michigan State			.St. Patrick's, Han-	
5-7	Ohio State	Bowling Green	Lucile Koenke	cock	76.73 76.42
5-21	Illinois State				76
5-7	Ohio State	. Bowling Green	.Virginia Dick	.Cleveland	75.06
5-21	Minnesota State	.St. Paul	. Doris Whitcher	. North St. Paul	74.8
5-21	Minnesota State	.St. Paul	. Margaret Wesily	.Owatonna	70.2
5-6 5-6	Idaho State				69.58
5- 7	South Dakota District		. Naomi Beckman	. Pocatello	69.3
0-1		Deadwood			
5-14	Wisconsin State		.Lucile Dunsmoor	. Markesan	68.5
5-7	South Dakota District	Aberdeen, Mitchell and Deadwood	. Dorothy Berdahl	Sioux Falle	68.2
5-14	Arizona State	. Phoenix	. Joseph Moffitt	. Phoenix	68
5-13	Michigan State				
5-14	Arizona State	. Phoenix	. Ida Frances	. Phoenix	67
5-14	Wisconsin State	. Whitewater	. Joyce Wadmond	. Delavan	
5- 7 5- 7	Upper Peninsula Oklahoma Interscholastic				
5-7	Oklahoma Interscholastic	Stillwater	Mariorie Harris	Guthrie	62 61
5-7	District	Boone, Iowa	Elizabeth Yates	.Perry	55.3
5-14	Essex County	. Lawrence, Mass	. Helen Fila	. Haverhill	55
5-7	District	. Boone, Iowa	. Bessie Torrence	. Marshalltown	55
5-7	District	. East Peoria, Ill	. Marguerite Westfall	.Chillicothe	55
5-7	Penobscot County	. Bangor, Maine	.Gladys Higgins	. Dexter	53.4
5-14 5-7	Essex County				
5-14	Wisconsin State Vocational	Whitewater	Leone Schoenleben	Pacine	52 3
5-7	Penobscot County	Bangor, Maine	Elsie Kenny	Bangor	52 3
5-14	Wisconsin State Vocational	. Whitewater	. Rocille Brandt	.Fond du Lac	50.2
5-7	Somerset County	. Pittsfield, Maine	. Ardis Hunter	. Pittsfield	48
5-7	Somerset County	. Pittsfield, Maine	. Arletta Littlefield	. Pittsfield	38
	June				
6-4	Massachusetts State	. Boston	. Janet Gadoury	.Webster	58
6- 4	Massachusetts State	.Boston	. Mary Collins	. Medford	57

Group Five Unlimited

Winners of first and second places in the "Free-for-all" events, variously reported as "Amateur," "Unlimited," etc.

DATE	CONTEST	PLACE	NAME	Нісн Ѕснооі.	NET WORDS
5-21	Illinois State	.Normal	Dorothy Chatterton	Wheaton	. 84.4
4-1	Utah State	Provo	Max Bee	Provo	. 84
5-21	Illinois State				
	Indiana State				
	District				
	Idaho State				
4-30	Indiana State				
5-7	Ohio State				
	Penobscot County				
4-23	Merced-Madera Bi-County	. Merced, Calif	Virginia Bostrom	Turlock	. 76

				N	ET WORDS
DATE	CONTEST	PLACE	NAME	HIGH SCHOOL	MINUTE
4-1	Utah State	.Provo	.Clyde Sandgren	Provo	7.5
5-7	Ohio State				
4 - 23	Merced-Madera Bi-County				
6-4	New Jersey State	.Elizabeth	.Rose Kedersha	.Union Hill	. 73
5-6	Idaho State	.Pocatello	. Fern Glick	.Univ. of Idaho	71 98
5-7	Oklahoma Interscholastic	.Stillwater	. Harriett Shroeder	Ada	. 71
4-9	District	. Marysville, Calif	. Mabel Wiest	. Marysville	. 70
5-13	Michigan State	. Kalamazoo	Gladys Baumann	Lansing	69.47
6-4	New Jersey State	.Elizabeth	. Donald Hardick	West New York.	. 69
4-30	District				
5-7	Penobscot County	. Bangor, Maine	.Verna Jennings	. Bangor	. 65
6-4	Massachusetts State	.Boston	.Lillian Gadowry	.Webster	. 65
5-13	Michigan State	.Kalamazoo	. Gladys Strewing	. Wyandotte	. 63 13
5-7	Upper Peninsula	. Marquette, Mich	.Vivian Molle	.Stambaugh	. 61 9
5-7	Upper Peninsula	. Marquette, Mich	. Lowell Sorenson	. Marquette	. 61 6
4-30	District	. Mason City, Iowa	. Ethel Franks	. Mason City	. 61.4
6-4	Massachusetts State	.Boston	Vernice Richardson	.Braintree	. 61
5-7	District	. East Peoria, Ill	Myrle Neff	. East Peoria	. 61
5-7	Oklahoma Interscholastic	.Stillwater	Lochie Taylor	.Ada	. 59
5-7	District	East Peoria, Ill			
4-23	Central Missouri District	.Warrensburg	Norman Chaffee, Jr	. Marshall	. 54 9
4 - 30	Hancock County	.Ellsworth, Maine	Pauline Hamor	. Bar Harbor	. 50
4 - 30	Hancock County	Ellsworth, Maine	Catherine Leach	. Castine	. 49
4-16	Cumberland County	. Portland, Maine	Mary McCarthy	. Portland	. 48.3
4-30	Berks County	Reading, Pa	Stella Kolb	. Boyertown	. 43
4-16	Cumberland County	. Portland, Maine	Mildred Kalloch	.Portland	. 41
4-30	Berks County	. Reading, Pa	Oscar Venzke	. Boyertown	. 40

Miscellaneous

Because of Organization, Method of Grading, Test Material Used, etc., these contests could not be included in the General Summaries.

Canada

Sixth Annual Canadian Typewriting Championship

April 2, 1927

DISTRICT	NAME	School	NET RATE
	Senior	Championship, Unlimited	
Toronto		yShaw's Dover Court	
		Orde Model School	
Victoria		Sprott-Shaw and St. Ann's	
	Irene Plowman.	Sprott-Shaw	75
Vancouver		Britannia High	
		yWest Van High	
Brockville		Brockville Business College	
		gtonBrockville Business College	
Winnipeg		Success Business College	
		Success Business College, Regina	
Calgary	Muriel Anderson	nGarbutt Business College	***************************************
	Annie Austin	Garbutt Business College	78
London		London Business Institute	
	Laura Rymill	London Collegiate Institute	66
	Intermediate Cl	hampionship—Second-Year Students	
Toronto	Armand Chartra	ainFoster Business College	*87
	Arthur Lawrence	ce Shaw's Deer Park	80
Victoria	Bertha Costley.	Sprott-Shaw	56
	Mona MacDona	aldVictoria High	56
Vancouver		Sprott-Shaw	
	Marjorie Whale	ySprott-Shaw	70.8

^{*} All-Canadian Championship for this class

			Net
DISTRICT	NAME	SCHOOL	RATE
Brockville	Helena Hinton.	• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	63
		0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0	
Winnipeg	Annie Shreiber.	Success Business College	73
		1ghSuccess Business College	
Calgary	Susie Lachter	Garbutt Business College	58
	Jennie Beardswe	orthMt. Royal College	50
London		ickLondon Business Institute	
	Gertrude Wallis	London Business Institute	38
	Novice Cha	mpionship—First-Year Students	
Toronto	Mary Mott	Robinson Business College	59
	Phyllis McGahe	y Dominion Business College	58
Victoria	Evelyn Neate	Sprott-Shaw	*71
	Dorothy Green	woodSprott-Shaw	52
Vancouver		High School of Commerce	
	V. M. Campbel	I High School of Commerce	58.2
Brockville	Elsie Keniston.		63
Winnipeg		y Dominion Business College	
		Manitoba Business College	
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		Hollingshead Commercial College	
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Pennsylvania

Inter-County Typewriting Contest

East Division, Reading, Pa., May 7, 1927 West Division, Indiana, Pa., May 14, 1927

(Rates of speed not reported)

NAME	CITY					RANK
First Year						
John Criswell	Reading		• • • •	 	• • •	1 2
Second Year						
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World's School Novice Typewriting Championship

Open to all students who had not studied typewriting prior to

August 1, 1915

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Name	CITY AND STATE	NET RATE
Hilda Dehl	Casey, Ill	76
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Martha Siler	Raymond, Wash	70

Standard Gregg Tests

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- 3. Rates of speed-60, 70, 80, 90, 100, 110, and 120 words a minute.
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- 1. One error shall be marked for the omission, insertion, or transposition of a word.
- 2. An error in spelling or typewriting shall not be charged against the contestant.
- 3. Hyphened compound words shall be considered as two words or more, as the case may be. A mistake on one word of the compound shall constitute only one error.
- 4. Figures are counted as they would be read—"38" is counted as two words. A mistake on one of the figures, therefore, shall constitute but one error. "1923" (nineteen hundred twenty-three) is counted as four words. The writing of "1922" for "1923" should be one error only. The writing of "1823" for "1923" should be similarly, one error. The writing of "1819" for "1923" should be three errors; and if every figure were wrong in the date, four errors should be charged.
- 5. Errors are not charged both for the transcribing of wrong words and for the insertion of others on the same construction. For instance, the checker should count the number of words incorrectly transcribed and that will be the total of errors on that construction; but if the number of incorrect words the student transcribes on a particular construction exceeds the number of those he should have transcribed, he is charged always with the greater number. For instance, if he wrote "Secretary of State" for "the State," he should be charged two errors. It will be seen that he has properly transcribed "state," the only errors being the transcription of "secretary of" for "the," and he is charged with the greater number,

which is two. Similarly, if in a wrong transcription the words he supplies are less than the copy, he is charged with the greater number. Care should be exercised in not charging him for a word correctly transcribed, although words on either side of it may be subject to error.

6. Time allowed for transcribing should be:

60 words a minute—45 minutes
70 words a minute—45 minutes
80 words a minute—45 minutes
90 words a minute—55 minutes
100 words a minute—1 hour
110 words a minute—1 hour
120 words a minute—1 hour

7. Ninety-five per cent accuracy shall be considered qualifying. Transcripts with more than 5 per cent of errors shall be disqualified. The maximum number of errors allowed to each "take" are as follows:

60 words a minute—15 errors 70 words a minute—17 errors 80 words a minute—20 errors 90 words a minute—23 errors 100 words a minute—25 errors 110 words a minute—27 errors 120 words a minute—30 errors

Important

8. The percentage of accuracy is found by subtracting the number of errors in the transcript from the total number of words dictated and dividing the remainder by the total number of words dictated. For instance: If in a 5-minute test at 100 words a minute (500 words) a contestant makes 5 errors, his percentage of accuracy is 99%.



Photographing the Blackboard

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dium (neither white nor dark), this table of exposure should give you a satisfactory picture. If the walls are absolutely white and the lighting is very bright, you can cut down by half on this table. If the color tones are dark, you can double the exposure.

We suggest that you make your exposure according to the table as given, and then, if you do not get a satisfactory picture, the people developing it can tell you whether you require more or less exposure; then you can take a film of six pictures and experiment with various timings. Out of the six you ought to get a good photograph—if you have followed directions.

Protest the Lens from Direct Light

One word more: If you are using light that falls from the side, be sure that there are no direct rays striking the lens of the camera. Draw the shade on the window if you can do so without marring your general lighting effect; if you have to keep the shade open to secure the best lighting, then hold your hand or a piece of cardboard to the side and a bit to the front of the camera to protect the lens from the direct rays.

Have Gloss Prints Made

Another word: When ordering your developing done, have your prints made with a glossy finish. This finish brings out details best.

Here's wishing you luck both in your specimen and your photography!

Let the Camera Show You Up!

Oh, yes, another word: Good firm outlines on the blackboard will be a distinct aid to amateur photography.

All set, now, for the Teachers' Blackboard Contest. Let's go over big!

DICTATION MATERIAL to Shorthand Plates in The GREGG WRITER

Theodore Roosevelt

He was found faithful over a few things and he was made ruler over many; he cut his own trail²⁰ clean and straight and millions followed him toward the light. He was frail; he made himself a lion of courage.40 He was a dreamer; he became one of the great doers of all time. Men put their trust in him;6 women found a champion in him; kings stood in awe of him, but children made him their playmate. He broke⁸⁰ a nation's slumber with his cry and it rose up. He touched the eyes of blind men with a flame 100 and gave them Souls became swords through him: swords became servants of God. He was loyal to his country120 and he exacted loyalty; he loved many lands, but he loved his own land best. He was terrible in battle, 140 but tender to the weak; joyous and tireless, being free from self-pity; clean with a cleanness that cleansed the air like a gale. His courtesy knew no wealth, no class; his friendship, no creed or color or race. His180 courage stood every onslaught of savage beast and ruthless man, of loneliness, of victory, of defeat. His mind was eager,²⁰⁰ his heart was true, his body and spirt, defiant of obstacles, ready to meet what might come. He fought injustice²²⁰ and tyranny; bore sorrow gallantly; loved all nature, bleak spaces and hardy companions, hazardous adventure and the zest of battle.²⁴⁰ Wherever he went he carried his own pack; and in the uttermost parts of the earth he kept his conscience²⁶⁰ for his guide. (263)—A Resolution drafted by Hermann Hagedorn, and adopted by the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

The Secretarial-Stenographer

Defined by the Curtis Publishing Company, Philadelphia

REQUIREMENTS: A woman with high-grade stenographic ability, taking dictation in shorthand and transcribing it on the typewriter; must be²⁰ able to handle correspondence as indicated by her manager without detailed dictation; must be able to meet, interview, and handle⁴⁰ visitors tactfully and diplomatically and make appointments either in person or by 'phone; must be thoroughly familiar with general office⁶⁰ practice, such as filing, preparation of reports, collecting information for executive action; must have a sense of organization and ability⁸⁰ to systematize work; should be thoroughly familiar with customs of

business; should have a good memory for details; must be 100 willing to study the particular need and temperament of her manager and be able to adapt herself loyally to his 120 requirements both business and personal; must have pleasing appearance and personality, cheerful, unobtrusive, willing, and closemouthed; must have good 140 health and keep reliable attendance. (145)

The Acid Test

From "Page Mr. Tutt," by Arthur Train (Copyright, 1926, by Charles Scribner's Sons)

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For a week John McGunnigle had sat on his cot¹⁹⁸⁰ in the Tombs watching his fellow prisoners tramping up and down the corridor outside. He had no regrets. He had²⁰⁰⁰ needed the money to save his daughter's life, and he would have done the same thing over again no matter²⁰²⁰ what the outcome. He hardly dared hope for a suspended sentence. But, even so, his life was nearly over anyway.²⁰⁴⁰ He might as well spend the rest of it in one place as another. And Lucy, his daughter, had already²⁰⁰⁰ written that she was feeling much better.

Now once more he stood at the bar of justice prepared to carry²⁰⁸⁰ out to the letter his contract with the devil. The court room was much more crowded than on the occasion²¹⁰⁰ of his first arraignment. All the seats inside the rail were occupied, a group of reporters with sheaves of yellow²¹²⁰ paper in their hands sprawled at the oaken table just behind him, and Nemesis, in the form of that gaunt²¹⁴⁰ old lawyer Ephraim Tutt, was sitting in front of the jury-box in the place usually occupied by the prosecutor.²¹⁸⁰

"People versus McGunnigle—for sentence," called out Mr. Dollar.

The judge took up the bundle of papers lying before him.²¹⁸⁰

"Have you found out anything which would have a bearing upon the sentence, Mr. Tutt?" asked Judge Barker.

asked Judge Barker.
Mr. Tutt²²⁰⁰ uncoiled himself and stood up.
"I should like to recall Mr. Schlemmer of
the firm of Haecklemeyer, Schlemmer and
Bintz²²²⁰—the complainants—for a moment."
"All right. You may recall him.—Is Mr.

Schlemmer in court? Step up here, please 1²²⁴⁰ Mr. Schlemmer, carrying a silk-lined overcoat and a gold-headed cane and still in his

prevailing note of pink,2200 bowed his way to the witness-chair.

"Good morning, judge," he said, carefully depositing his habiliments on the steps of 226 the dais. "Good morning, Mr. Tutt."

Mr. Tutt made obeisance.
"Good morning, Mr. Schlemmer. I trust
you are in good²⁵⁰⁰ health this morning?" "Thank you, yes. Same to you!"

"Well, you can cut out the politesse," grumbled his honor. "What²⁸²⁰ do you want to ask Mr. Schlemmer about? Go ahead with your questions."

Mr. Tutt unfolded the indictment.

"Your honor²⁸⁴⁰ will remember that the charge of forgery in this case is based on a check for six thousand dollars drawn²⁸⁶⁰ to the order of 'The Yucatan Trading Co.,' and signed by Haecklemeyer, Schlemmer and Bintz, of which the gentleman upon²⁸⁸⁰ the witness-chair is a member. It is dated July

1, 1925."
"I remember the facts," said²⁴⁰⁰ Judge Barker rather impatiently, for he had had a bad

"It is indorsed 'The Yucatan Trading Co. by H.2420 F. Wiltshire, Pres't.,' which Mr. Wiltshire claims is a forgery. The back of the check bears a rubber cancellationstamp²⁴⁴⁰ reading:

> 'Received Payment through New York Clearing House Prior indorsement guaranteed July 5, 1925. Cottonseed National Bank 61 Broadway, New York City James C. Farr, Cashier.';

and the perforated cancellation of the Colophon Trust Company, the bank upon which the check was originally drawn and2400 where it was charged against the account of Haecklemeyer, Schlemmer and Bintz."

"Yes, we all understand that," said Barker.
"What²⁴⁸⁰ are you leading up to?"

"Simply to this." Mr. Tutt laid the indictment on the edge of the dais. "My2500 clients, the National Surety Company of New York, have been obliged, under their bond, to pay Haecklemeyer, Schlemmer and Bintz²⁵²⁰ the sum of six thousand dollars to recoup the firm's account at the Colophon Trust Company. They did this immediately2540 upon receiving notice from Mr. Schlemmer that the check was a forgery, and a supporting affidavit to that effect from²⁵⁰⁰ Mr. Wiltshire. That is the way they do their business. But they naturally succeeded to whatever remedies Haecklemeyer, Schlemmer and 2580 Bintz may have had against the bank which honored the check in the first place, and thus they would appear²⁰⁰⁰ to have a perfectly good action against the Cottonseed National which, according to the cancellation stamp, cashed the check on 2020 July third for some one who impersonated Mr. Wiltshire and forged his signature to the indorsement.

That all seems rather²⁶⁴⁰ elementary, Mr. Tutt," remarked the judge. "I don't see what your client's theoretical remedies have to do with whether or 2660 not I shall sentence this defendant to state's prison at hard labor."

"I crave your honor's patience." Mr. Tutt turned2680 to the witness. "You say the defendant admitted forging this check, practically as soon as you accused him of it

"Yes-almost immediately." "Do you recall the date?"

Mr. Schlemmer sought assistance from the ceiling.

"Let me see!-Mr. Wiltshire2720 came over to see us about the check on January eleventh and we charged McGunnigle with the forgery that same²⁷⁴⁰ afternoon."

"Thank you.-Now you say that he had been trying to borrow five thousand dollars from you?—When was²⁷⁰⁰ that?"

"Around the end of December of last

"Was that the first time he had asked for money, so²⁷⁸⁰ far as you know?"

"So far as I know."

"Did you, when he confessed to the crime, immediately have him²⁸⁰⁰ arrested?"

"Do you mean did I send out for a policeman then and there?"

Mr. Tutt smiled.

"Take it as²⁸²⁰ you choose." Mr. Schlemmer wrinkled his brows.

"I sent for Bill Barnhart of the surety company, and he came right⁸⁸⁴⁰ down and picked up Wiltshire on the way. Barnhart tried unsuccessfully to get McGunnigle to talk. Then he took Wiltshire's²⁸⁸⁰ affidavit as to the indorsement being a forgery and—"

"And then you telephoned Headquarters, and Detective Mulligan and you accompanied²⁸⁸⁰ McGunnigle to the Tombs?"
"That's about it."

"Quick work, wasn't it?"

"Pretty quick, I guess," admitted Mr. Schlemmer.

"That was2900 all on the afternoon of January eleventh, wasn't it?"
"Yes."

"When were you reimbursed by the surety company?" "A couple2920 of days later, I think."

Mr. Tutt turned over the leaves of the in-

"I call attention, your honor, to²⁹⁴⁰ the fact that this defendant was arrested and arraigned in the Magistrate's Court on January eleventh, waived examination the same²⁰⁰⁰ day, was indicted by the Grand Jury on the twelfth, pleaded guilty on the thir-teenth, and was arraigned for sentence²⁹⁸⁰ on the fifteenth—when I first came into the case-all within four days. It is now only the twenty8000-second of January-eleven days from the arrest.'

The judge lifted his head. "How's that?" he inquire he inquired.

There was a⁸⁰²⁰ rustle from the reporters' table. Had old Tutt got hold of something? "I said in effect, your honor, that this 80

comparatively insignificant defendant enjoys the remarkable distinction of having been indicted and brought to pleading after his arrest sooner, so³⁰⁰⁰ far as I am aware, than

any other criminal on record."

I don't see that that reflects anything but credit3080 upon the administration of criminal justice," replied Judge Barker. "McGunnigle has nothing to complain of in that respect. On the store contrary, he is the gainer by it. He might have lain over in the Tombs a couple of weeks before⁸¹²⁰ getting indicted and it would not have counted on his sentence."

"True!" returned Mr. Tutt. "I have always said that 3140 that was one of the greatest abuses of our modern system. I--"

"We are not here to listen to disserta-tions³¹⁶⁰ on the administration of the law,"

admonished Judge Barker, who liked to show his importance. "Please get to the point!" am at it!" returned Mr. Tutt with dignity.—"Mr. Schlemmer, did anybody explain to McGunnigle that if he pleaded²²⁰⁰ guilty it would facilitate the collection of Haecklemeyer, Schlemmer and Bintz's claim against the surety company?"

Mr. Schlemmer's manner lost3240 something

of its amiability.

"I don't remember. Very likely. Naturally, I told McGunnigle that the easier he made it for³²⁴⁰ us, the easier we would make it for him."

"Exactly!—And you had not the slightest doubt but the indorsement³²⁸⁰ was a forgery?"

"None.—I was sure of it."
"How?"

"Mr. Wiltshire said it wasn't his signature and McGunnigle admitted 280 his guilt."

That was enough for you?"

"It ought to be enough for anybody." Mr. Tutt scratched his chin.

"You8800 wouldn't say it was mathematically conclusive, would you

"I should say it was."

Judge Barker looked up from the letter³³²⁰ he was writing.

"What are you trying to do?-Prove that this defendant is innocent when he says he's guilty?"8840

Mr. Tutt assumed an aggrieved air.

"I am an old man and perhaps garrulous," he said. "But if your honor3360 will bear with me, I shall hope in due time to bring out facts which will assist your honor in 380 imposing sentence."
"Well, go on.—But be as quick as you can."

Judge Barker returned to his correspondence. Mr. Tutt³⁴⁰⁰ took up Schlemmer once

"Now, Mr. Schlemmer, just to test the question; wouldn't it be conceivably possible for Wiltshire⁸⁴²⁰ and McGunnigle to have entered into a conspiracy, whereby, Wiltshire having actually cashed the check and got the money, McGunnigle⁸⁴⁴⁰ was to admit the forgery and take the blame when, in point of fact, there had really been no forgery?"8460

Mr. Schlemmer looked bored.
"A very remote and fantastic possibility!" he answered. "It would involve disbelieving both an honest man8480 who denied his signature and a crook who admitted forging it,-

when everything pointed to their telling the

That 3500 is what I wish to discuss with you. You say that McGunnigle's guilt seemed so self-evident that you had no hesitation in accusing him?"

None whatever!"

"Was one of the facts that influenced you in your opinion that he³⁵⁴⁰ was confessedly in need of money?"

"It was."

"And you think he committed forgery under pressure of that need?"
"I8560 think it more than probable."

Mr. Tutt took a step forward.

"But, on your own statement, he needed the money 3530 at the end of December—while the forgery was committed at the beginning of July. Why should he want the money six months after the forgery?"

Judge Barker turned to catch the witness's

reply. None came.
"Would you mind answering³⁶²⁰ my question, Mr. Schlemmer?" Schlemmer hesitated.

"I suppose my idea was that McGunnigle was generally in need of money,—that 8640 he had probably been living beyond his income right along.

"Is it your theory, then, that having needed money in 8660 July and having forged this check to get it, he needed it again at the end of December—and forged another?"

Mr. Schlemmer seemed puzzled. "I didn't work it out as fine as that!" he

said at length.

"Do you^{\$700} think McGunnigle forged other checks?"

'I don't know."

"Have you tried to find out?"

"Don't you think it might3720 be a wise thing to do before taking a forger back into your employ?"

Judge Barker swivelled around toward the 3740 witness.

"I think Mr. Tutt is right. Common prudence demands that you should have an audit of your books."

Mr. 3760 Tutt bowed.

"I am glad your honor agrees with me. The surety company has a right to demand that this \$^{780}\$ defendant should not be sentenced until we know whether there may not have been other forgeries."

Judge Barker completed the 3800 revolu-tion of his chair, got up, crossed his arms behind his back under his gown so that it looked like8820 a bunch of enormous tailfeathers, and began walking up and down

"Let me look at that check,"8840 he remarked abruptly, and when Mr. Tutt had handed it to him: "How much of the writing on this did3860 McGunnigle admit having forged?" he asked of Schlemmer.

"He didn't say. Only Mr. Wiltshire's signature, I assumed."

"Do you happen 8880 to know where The

Yucatan Trading Company do their banking?" "The Cottonseed National.—Mr. Wiltshire told us so here the 3900 other day."

Judge Barker removed his eye-glasses and looked significantly at the reporters gathered about the press table as 3920 if he had made a

great discovery.

"This check bears the cancellation-stamp of the Cottonseed National Bank. How was 8940 it possible for this defendant, or his confederate, if he had one, to cash this check at a bank 3960 where Mr. Wiltshire must have been personally known?"

"Oh, wise and upright judge!" murmured

"If you are asking⁸⁹⁸⁰ that question of me," said Mr. Schlemmer, "all I can say is that I don't know. I assume that forgers⁴⁰⁰⁰ have a way of doing these things.'

"Do I not recall in this connection that Mr. Wiltshire claimed that his 4020 company never indorsed checks except 'for deposii'?"

continued Judge Barker.

"That is what he said," confirmed Mr. Tutt.

"Then McGunnigle⁴⁰⁴⁰ probably forged the whole indorsement—as well as Mr. Wiltshire's signature!" declared his honor with conviction. "He must have had⁴⁰⁶⁰ a rubber stamp made resembling that used by the Yucatan Trading Company but omitting the

words 'for deposit only.'"
"That⁴⁰⁸⁰ is my theory," answered Mr. Tutt.
"And since, naturally, Mr. Wiltshire was well known at the Cottonseed National Bank, it 4100 is equally probable that the bank's cancellation-stamp is also forged, and that the check was cashed at some other 120 bank."

"But in that case how did the Cottonseed's cancellation get there?" inquired his honor.
"It could have been put*140 on after the

check had gone through the clearing-house and been returned to Haecklemeyer, Schlemmer and Bintz with the 160 rest of their cancelled vouchers," explained Mr. Tutt.

"You mean that McGunnigle, having taken the check out of the mail,4180 cashed it at some bank where Wiltshire was not known and then, when it came back at the end of 4200 the month, erased the cancellation-stamp and

forged that of the Cottonseed National?"
"Precisely. In addition, the name of the 4220 original payee may have been altered before the check was presented for payment-in fact, the forger may have inserted 4240 his own name, which would have enabled him to cash the check without difficulty."

"There is more to this than 4260 at first meets the eye!" mused his honor. "Just let me take another wink at that check. Maybe the whole 4280 thing is forged!"

"Maybe it is!" echoed Mr. Tutt, looking out of the window. (4294)
(To be continued next month)

Distraction

From the "San Francisco Examiner"

Distraction is not the same thing as pleasure or enjoyment, to say nothing of happiness. Distraction is what a man²⁰ seeks in order to get away from himself, his memories, his fears, or his emptiness. Mainly it is human nature40 abhorring a vacuum.

A certain amount of mere distraction is desirable and will be sought even by the nature

that60 is rich within itself.

But the constant need of it is a sign of moral bankruptcy. As Pascal said, the 80 surest test of a man's wisdom is his ability to be contented in solitude. (94)

Lesson Seven

Words

Dimity, tension, timber, endow, empty, entwine, fender, errand, flint, endeavor, retentive, lenient, edit, indebted, impend, stead, validity, seaman, maniac, assess, 20 access, abstain, auspices, roses, defenses, audit, intense, appended, emphasis, raiment, gelatin, grind, swindle, sentinel, ranchman, wound, spindle, torrent, offend, pint,40 devour, dinner, slander, stained, vases, windmill, tyrant, sprinted, retains, ponder, pretention, intimacy, inceptive.

Sentences

The women will assist in making the tennis meet a happy affair. The tenant will be here today and he²⁰ will pay the rent at that time. There will be nothing gained by reaching the temple so early in the day. He is a devout man and very attentive at all times. The sentinel was wounded in the fray. Mr.60 Swinton will defend the editor in these cases for slander. Our company will defray all expenses if you will attended this meeting next month. Many students have difficulty in their studies because of lack of attention. The roses on the 100 veranda are very pretty. (104)

Lesson Eight

Words

Ajar, cardiac, appurtenances, churlish, borders, searcher, absurd, sardonic, stern, urgent, terminate, orphan, cistern, burn, retail, normalcy, sworn, worthily, cedar, carton, oborn, warmly, wormy, circle, fern, batter, star, dirt, divert, jars, appertaining, surfeit, merit, demerit, harder, dodger, ardor, ordinance, swarm, shiner, ordinal, charmers, convert, Argentine, avert, pardon, Charleston, curt, worst, instill. (53)

Sentences

Our lease at Charleston will terminate tomorrow. Her manner is most charming. are digging a cistern on the farm²⁰ back of the vineyard. You should not divert his attention from his work in the garden. The gardener will have⁴⁰ to climb a ladder to pluck that cluster of roses. This organization sells hardware cheaper than any retail concern in this territory. The prisoner made a daring attempt to break away from the warden. This wood will burn like tinder. We are in urgent need of some of this merchandise. It is hard to tell what may become of it. (100)

Lesson Nine

Sentences

It is important that you go to the office immediately. Please bring a duplicate invoice to me tomorrow. The clerk²⁰ did not copy the order correctly. Please take this record to the railroad office. Where did you go while I⁴⁰ was waiting for my wife? What is your object in sending this notice to the newspaper for publication? The agent⁶⁰ was very friendly and obliging on that occasion. God give us strength to meet the difficulties of life. The doctor⁸⁰ would not charge the clerk for his services. I told you. What kind of system does that society use¹⁰⁰ in collecting its bills? Where did you find the order book? You must be more particular the next time you¹²⁰ work for the judge. You did not follow the form given you in working out the different word lists for¹⁴⁰ our new book. Why did you say "yes" when she asked you that question? We all acknowledge the value of his letter. The railroad official did not receive a copy of the¹⁸⁰ government report. Our agent will arrange to record the mortgage early in the week. I regret that I can not²⁰⁰ give you a better report. I think it will be well to keep up this advertising a little longer. (219)

Lesson Ten

Words

Alongside, businesslike, thereby, thereof, anything, checker, drafter, bodily, allowance, shipper, changer, charger, outsider, outlaw, abide, arithmetic, cathedral, forty-five degrees, of forty-five degrees Centigrade, thirty-six degrees Fahrenheit, afterfire, outer, Christmas, bookkeeper, analogous, aptitude, 147,000; outreach, aboriginal, abrogate, aside, abnegate, abuse, accuse, atrocious, cancelled, answerer, anomalous, ambiguity, ambiguous, astride, adolescent, astronomy, appetite, surer, smaller, theretofore, prelude, pure, purer, outlay, nickname, catastrophe, lifetime, filibuster, aforesaid. (73)

Sentences

The officer rode up alongside the outlaw as they neared the tavern. The bookkeeper checked the lists thoroughly before attempting²⁰ to strike a balance. This outfit will be shipped direct from the factory. His success is attributed to his irresistible⁴⁰ manner which

charac.erized all his dealings. A permanent organization was established after a number of speeches were delivered by several⁸⁰ prominent men. The demonstration indicated their gratitude for his coöperation. The applicant was pleasant and seemed very capable but the⁸⁰ recorder would not give him an opportunity to demonstrate his knowledge of the machine. You should do your shopping early.¹⁰⁰ (100)

Lesson Eleven

Words

To balance, as late as, we have not been able, I had not been, to send, we do not regard, ²⁰ I don't feel, we are very sorry, from line to line, there was not, in reply to your, they want, ⁴⁰ details of the work, book after book, I wish to say, we are in the market, to sell, to consider, ⁸⁰ we hope to receive, to raise, one of these, yours very cordially, there will be, it will have, we sent, ⁸⁰ might be, to repair, as strong as, one of those, from side to side, could have been, should have been¹⁰⁰ able, who had been able, they do not, words of the speaker, boy after boy, state by state, you must¹²⁰ see, several weeks ago, I am very sorry to hear, next time, one by one, she had not, to sail, ¹⁴⁰ you may have, to be done, very great, as wide as, as near as can be, glad to have, end¹⁸⁰ of the line, may be given, I want to see. (170)

Sentences

We have not been able to get a report from you for some time. Won't you get it to us²⁰ one of these days real soon? The returns were checked state by state. We are in the market for several⁴⁰ cars of white corn. I don't feel there is any reason for your being as late as you were. There⁶⁰ will be no difficulty in obtaining these goods for you by the end of the week. I regret to say⁸⁰ that some of these books cannot be accepted. This is one of the important questions to be considered at our¹⁰⁰ next meeting. Cheer after cheer went up from the crowd from time to time. We are sorry to learn that¹²⁰ you will not be able to attend the next meeting of our association. Can you give us some suggestions in¹⁴⁰ regard to this matter? We hope that you will find a ready sale for these goods. (156)

Lesson Twelve

Words

Abeyance, benumb, decrease, rebuttal, dispense, decoy, recruit, perpetuate, proclamation, frontage, brush, cigar, crop, abound, adjust, build, armature, advent, capture, scorn, 20 alien, axiom, beggar, autopsy, allopathy, alienation, besiege, carnage, cambric, chemist, aqueduct,



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Our candidates have been recommended recently for appointment in several important Western cities, but official action cannot be reported today.

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adversary, blunder, mummy, admittance, admiral, dishonest, foliage, funnel, descend, slums, vinegar, venom, voyage, rebound, pump, relapse, perfume, jumbo, depart. (50)

Sentences

Let me discuss briefly the outstanding features of this daring adventure. The exact language of the governor was misquoted by20 Our luggage was badly the reporters. Several packages damaged. were either crushed or lost. His promotion is out of the40 question if he persist in such a course. new brown stone front is to be put on the museum. 60 The Royal Arts Society of Dublin will give a bazaar next week for the benefit of the poor. You will admit the fact that one must come early to secure choice seats. I have profound admiration for this music. The 100 chemist will use the funnel in filling the carboy. (109)

Business Letters Letters to Large Users

(From Gardner's "Constructive Dictation," pages 241 and 243, letters 8 and 12)

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Attention-Mr. F. A. Homewood

Gentlemen:

We are interested²⁰ to learn from your letter of July 1 that you expect to use a Gasoline Engine to operate your power⁴⁰ pump at the coal mine. If the vertical lift does not exceed 31 ft. and the suction and discharge⁶⁰ pipes are 2 inches and the total distance the water is to be discharged is not over 200 or⁸⁰ 300 ft., then with a capacity of say 30 to 35 gallons per minute a 3 H. P.¹⁰⁰ Engine would be ample size to take care of these conditions.

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At the present time we can make delivery of a 3 H. P. Gasoline Engine with magneto ignition¹⁸⁰ in about two or three weeks. If you decide to order this, Mr. Homewood, it would be well to inform¹⁸⁰ us as to the speed of the power pulley so that we can equip the engine with the proper pulley²⁰⁰ to operate the pump at the correct speed.

Very truly yours, (211)

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Grasp an idea and work it out to a successful conclusion. That's about all there is in life for any²⁰ of us.—Edward H. Harriman. (25)

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To get up, don't give up. (6)

What the Flag Means By Charles Evans Hughes

[An address in presenting a flag to the honor members of a graduating class at a school in Washington, June, 1916]

This flag means more than association and reward. It is the symbol of our national unity, our national endeavor, our national aspiration. It tells you of the struggle for independence, of union preserved, of liberty and union one and inseparable, 40 of the sacrifices of brave men and women to whom the ideals and honor of this nation have been dearer than life.

It means America first; it means an undivided allegiance. It means America united, strong and efficient, equal to⁸⁰ her tasks. It means that you cannot be saved by the valor and devotion of your ancestors; that to each¹⁰⁰ generation comes its patriotic duty; and that upon your willingness to sacrifice and endure as those before you have sacrificed¹²⁰ and endured rests the national hope.

It speaks of equal rights; of the inspiration of free institutions exemplified and vindicated; of liberty under law intelligently conceived and impartially administered.

There is not a thread in it but scorns selfindulgence, 100 weakness, and rapacity. It is eloquent of our community interests, outweighing all divergences of opinion, and of our common destiny. 180

Given as a prize to those of the highest standing, it happily enforces the lesson that intelligence and zeal must go together, that discipline must accompany emotions, and that we must ultimately rely upon enlightened opinion. (216)

—From "American Patriotic Prose,"

-From "American Patriotic Prose," by A. W. Long

If you take too much time off to spend your earnings, you can't accumulate. I early recognized that it was²⁰ my business and my duty to do all the work which came to me, to do it in the very best manner that I was able to do it, and without any regard for the compensation which I received for60 it. I saved money. I always saved money, and why? Because I never had time to spend what I earned. 80 and it accumulated. (83)

Keep Abreast of the Times

From "Lessons in Achievement" By H. Addington Bruce in "Forbes"

Whether a man be his own employer or working for another, the degree of his success invariably depends largely on²⁰ his readiness to adopt new ideas and to adapt himself to new conditions in his chosen occupation. Business life, like⁴⁰ life in general, is constantly in a state of flux, of change. That which was valid and necessary yesterday may 60 be unnecessary and even unsound today. New times, new customs and methods, is the law.

Of course, there are certain⁸⁰ immutable principles which persist through all change.

It always has been and always will be required of the aspirant to¹⁰⁰ success that he be, among other things, industrious, zealous, honest, and reliable. Open-mindedness and adaptability never can take the 120 place of qualities such as these. The point is that unless the worker, over and above his other qualities, shows 140 himself open-minded and adaptable, unless he shows himself eagerly resilient, he must always be to some extent a laggard¹⁶⁰ and may experience ultimate failure instead of the notable success that might be

And the unfortunate fact is that 180 the mass of workers do not appreciate this. many workers above the average in ambition do not appreciate it.²⁰⁰

They apply themselves earnestly enough to learn the technique of their work. Having learned it, and having displayed sundry characteristics220 which command the favorable notice of their superiors, they rise to a certain point. They rise no further, if only240 because they are under the delusion that business-doing is static and that what they have already learned will enable260 them to meet all the demands of the future.

Their state of mind is akin to that of an historian²⁸⁰ of my acquaintance, who, when I asked him if he were going to the annual meeting of a learned association of which he was

a member, made answer:

"I have never gone to these meetings. Why should I begin now? 320 I should only have to listen to papers by young jackanapes who have nothing to tell me. I can better,840 much better, occupy my time at home, studying and writing."

Yet those same jackanapes might at least have impressed upon³⁶⁰ my stay-at-home acquaintance the truth that the history-read-

ing public of today is vastly different from the history⁸⁸⁰-reading public of the period when he began to specialize in the teaching and writing of history. Then wordiness and40 stodginess were expected of historians. Now the demand is for directness, vitality, and at least a fair measure of conciseness. 420

Clinging to the old tradition, it is hardly surprising that my friend of the scholastic cloister laments that almost the⁴⁴⁰ only people who read his ponderous works are the students who have to read them. Unwittingly he has handicapped himself⁴⁶⁰ by not using facilities that would have enabled him to keep abreast

of the times.

So do innumerable financiers, innumerable⁴⁸⁰ salesmen, innumerable workers in all manner of industries handicap themselves by keeping away from conventions; by never reading trade journals;⁵⁰⁰ by not even glancing into such magazines as the one in which this article appears, magazines whose special mission it520 is to describe, even to prognosticate, significant changes in the general world of business.

To the young man whose income⁵⁴⁰ is small the expense of subscribing, even to one or two periodicals bearing directly or indirectly on his work, may500 seem formidable. Really it is negligible compared with the benefits that will accrue to him from a keen intelligent reading 580 of these periodicals. In fact, he cannot afford to dispense with them if he would make come true, in anything 600 like entirety, his dreams and hopes for the years that lie ahead.

Nor can he afford to ignore the growth⁶²⁰promoting possibilities of trade conventions, of membership in business clubs and commercial organizations, of attendance at lectures on subjects of640 business interest to him, of informal discussion with fellow-workers regarding matters of mutual significance to him and to them. 660 From all these sources he can gain ideas of a constructive sort unattainable by the man who lives and works⁶⁸⁰ in physical solitude.

So with the business man who, no longer young, is perhaps at the head of a prosper-

ous 700 business of his own.

It is the height of folly for such a man to imagine that he has reached⁷²⁰ a point where adaptability and openness to new ideas are no longer indispensable. If he does so imagine, he had⁷⁴⁰ better sell out forthwith, lest he come to grief as many a whilom successful business man has done, including several700 known to me personally.

In sum:

From first to last, the worker in any business must appreciate the inevitability of 780 change. Always he must avail himself of any agency, from the convention to the trade journal, that will aid him⁸⁰⁰ to meet the new demands imposed by the passage of time. Otherwise, no matter how keen his ambition, no matter⁸²⁰ what his native ability, he will find himself sooner or later among the conspicuously left behind.

Keep abreast of the840 times and grasp

new-day opportunities. (846)

Character and Success

By Theodore Roosevelt

All kinds of qualities go to make up character, for, emphatically, the term should include the positive no less than²⁰ the negative virtues. If we say of a boy or a man, "He is of good character," we mean that⁴⁰ he does not do a great many things that are wrong and we also mean that he does do a 60 great many things which imply much effort of will and readiness to face what is disagreeable. He must not steal, 80 he must not be intemperate, he must not be vicious in any way; he must not be mean or brutal; 100 he must not bully the weak. In fact, he must refrain from whatever is evil. But besides refraining from evil, 120 he must do good. He must be brave and energetic; he must be resolute and persevering. (136)

Barriers make us rise. (4)

Relation of Heat Production to the Thyroid Gland

The thyroid gland is one of the most important factors in the maintenance of normal heat production. Its active principle,20 "thyroxin," is rich in iodine. The physiological activity of certain thyroid preparations may be gauged by their iodine content, according40 to the work of Hunt and Seidel. Thyroxin, obtained first in crystalline form by Kendall seems to have the same by physiological properties as has the whole gland. It contains 60% of iodine; when thyroxin is given hypodermically in considerable amount it forms a reservoir, apparently, and is used gradually in the body's metabolism. Enough may be administered in100 this way to a patient with myxedema to maintain the metabolism at a normal level for as long as three120 weeks without stimulating the metabolism to an abnormally high level. According to Kendall, the thyroid gland has two chief functions: 140 first, to manufacture thyroxin and second, to store thyroxin. In exophthalmic goiter the storage capacity of the gland is reduced¹⁶⁰ but the manufacturing ability is much increased. According to Marine, the normal iodine store of the thyroid gland rarely exceeds180 25 milligrams; Kendall finds that this store may be as low as 7 milligrams in the most severe type²⁰⁰ of exophthalmic goiter. Marine supposes that thyroid adenoma results from the stimulation of the gland to overactivity through a demand²²⁰ for iodine, which the adenoma can probably abstract from the circulation and elaborate into the thyroid hormone. Marine's and Kimball's 240 work with school girls in a goiter zone has shown that goiter of the simple type may be prevented by260 the judicious use of iodine. They found that 3 grains of iodide salt daily for ten days, repeated in six280 months' time, prevented simple goiter in girls in practically all cases. In Switzerland the child is given 5 milligrams each 300 Monday morning. Such minute doses apparently prevent the enlargement of the gland in its attempt to increase its store. exophthalmic goiter we may imagine that the gland has run riot in its attempt to increase its iodine store: the⁸⁴⁰ result is that the iodine per unit of gland in this condition is often exceedingly small. Whatever the nature of360 the circulating substance that is responsible for the symptoms in cases of hyperthyroidism, it is generally agreed that the most³⁸⁰ characteristic effect of normal thyroid substance or of thyroxin is a heightened metabolism. The only conditions in which thyroxin does⁴⁰⁰ not increase the basal metabolism, according to Plummer are ophthalmic goiter and very vascular colloid goiters. (416)

Short Stories in Shorthand

Unsettled

Anxious Old Man (on river steamer): I say, my good man, is this boat going up or down?

Surly Fellow²⁰-Passenger: Well, she's a leaky old tub so I shouldn't wonder if she was going down. Then, again, her boilers40 are none too good so she might go up. (49)

Well-known

He took her hand in his and gazed proudly at the engagement ring he had placed on her finger only20 three days before.

'Did your friends admire it?" he inquired

tenderly.

"They did more than that," she replied oldly. "Two40 of them recognized it." (44)

Almost

The secretary of the bar association was very busy and very cross one afternoon when his telephone rang.
"Well, what²⁰ is it?" he snapped.

"Is this the city gas works?" asked a woman's soft voice.

"No, madam," roared the secretary,40 "This is the Bar Association of the City of Louisville."

"Ah," in the sweetest of tones, "I didn't miss it 60 so far, after all." (64)

An Imposition

"Do you feel able to take a few letters, Miss Typer?"

"Why certainly! That's what I'm here for, isn't it?"20

"I guess so, but my request came so soon after your last telephone conversation that I feared you might be⁴⁰ exhausted." (41)

Jim Gets a Raise

"My husband is so good to his employees."
"Is he?"

"Yes. He came home last night all tired out, poor²⁰ fellow, and I heard him murmur in his sleep, 'Jim, I'll raise you ten.' And business is so dull, too." (40)

Things As They Are

One morning while the children were eating breakfast Milford put two heaping spoonsful of sugar in his cocoa.

"I should20 think one spoonful would be

enough," objected his sister.
"I should think so, too," he replied, "but it ain't." (39)

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